

THE BIG S. E. MO. FAIR ONE GREAT BIG SUCCESS

The first day of the Southeast Missouri District Fair, which opened its gates Wednesday morning, was the biggest first day ever had. The cash gate receipts showed more than 3300 paid admissions where all the school children from the four surrounding counties were admitted free. With the school children the crowd must have been near the 6000 mark. The weather throughout the day was a trifle hazy and made some of the well-wishers just a little uneasy for fear of a rain, but, thank goodness, no such misfortune came. The crowd Wednesday night was all that could be accommodated and all concessions seemed to be busy. The dance hall was crowded for hours where the flappers and others enjoyed themselves to their hearts content. The carnival is the cleanest and most orderly that has ever been on the fair grounds and the Fair Association are fortunate, indeed, to have secured this attraction.

The agricultural hall is filled with very choice exhibits and the good things to eat that were exposed to the view of a hungry editor was almost maddening. However, we were told to feast our eyes as that was all we would get. Very discouraging.

Next was the poultry house where several hundred birds were cooped in sanitary coops rented by the Fair especially for the show. The white varieties were most in evidence, though the editor saw several other "chickens" in the room that didn't look so bad. Next was the hog barn where the biggest exhibit ever on the lot were penned. It was hard, at times to tell whether it was the two-legged or four-legged variety that smelled the strongest as the herdsmen were oiling the hogs getting them ready for the judging. In the cattle barn there was room for no more, and one could take his choice as to breeds he liked best.

The farm machinery exhibits had a crowd about them all the time as the farmer is watching them close to see if they are going to come down the ladder of high prices to meet his products part of the way. You would have to go to a city to see a finer display of automobiles and accessories than were shown.

This is a very short mention of the many things on the grounds so it is up to you to attend every day and see for yourself.

WEARS GOWNS WORTH \$25,000 IN NEW PICTURE

Hope Hampton shines with transcendent splendor in the variety of beautiful gowns valued at \$25,000 which she wears in Allan Dwan's latest Paramount production, "Lawful Larceny," which will be shown at the Malone Theater next Monday and Tuesday. Never before has Miss Hampton worn such an array of costumes as in Mr. Dwan's picturization of this famous stage play. She wears ten different creations, ranging from exquisite negligees to bizarre evening gowns.

In the character Marion Dorsey which Miss Hampton portrays in the picture, she steps out of the role of mother and faithful housewife for the temporary part of the scheming vampire in which her wits are matched with those of Vivian Hepburn, the other woman in the story, portrayed by Nita Naldi. The wide scope of this part gives Miss Hampton the chance to wear clothes that will delight the eye and the envy of every woman that sees the picture.

Just to give some idea of Miss Hampton's gowns, let it be noted that one of the striking gowns is made of peach-colored taffeta—Hope Hampton peach, the exact duplicate of the gown she wore at the international silk show held some time ago at the Grand Central Palace in New York, with an orchid flounce in front and trimmed with roses. It has a modified hoopskirt effect.

Another is a silver cloth gown with an overdrape of orchid chiffon, embroidered in turquoise medallions. In contrast to this she wears a black satin dress, trimmed with ermine tails down the side. With this Miss Hampton wears a short ermine coat and a white hat with goose feathers. Still another of her fetching creations is a dark blue velvet gown, cut low in the back, with a daisy design outlined with seed pearls.

Misses Uline Fenwick, Myra Tanner, Pauline Graham and Mrs. Charles Lindley motored to Cairo last Thursday where they spent the day.

THE COTTON CROP IS NOW ON THE MOVE

Three loads of cotton was marketed in Sikeston Tuesday. It was neck and neck between N. M. Moore of Pharris Ridge and Jim Files on the G. B. Greer farm as to which sold the first load. Anyway, Moore had a check for \$180 for his load and Files \$145 for his, both selling for 10c per pound in the seed. John Calvin brought in a load in the afternoon. All three loads were sold to the Scott County Milling Company. The price for the first two loads was a trifle above the market price as a premium was paid on same.

Quite a few loads were in town Wednesday and from now on it will be no uncommon sight to see a string of cotton wagons waiting their turn at the gins.

The Sikeston Gin Company ginned the first loads and for the next several months will run 24 hours per day 7 days in the week. The same can be said of the gin at the Frisco which is nearing completion.

MOREHOUSE NEWS.

Miss Margaret Wilkins has been added to the Morehouse teaching staff to take care of the increased enrollment.

Quite a number of Morehouse people have been taking advantage of Sikeston's moving picture shows recently.

Mrs. Nell Wafford is visiting relatives in Kentucky.

Harry Fox and P. Kimmer are building new garages.

The high school took the last period Monday to view the eclipse of the sun.

Hazel Carr is preparing to leave for Marvin College where she hopes to educate herself for mission work.

The entire school was dismissed on Wednesday to attend the Southeast Missouri District Fair.

Prof. B. I. Howard brought his football players from Vanduser Tuesday evening and schrimmaged with the Morehouse High eleven. Mr. Howard's aggregation is green but has the size and weight. He hopes to surprise Morehouse in the opening game, September 28.

The vocational agriculture class had classes judging the fine Aberdeen Angus cattle at the Fair on Tuesday.

Fay Utley, who has had charge of several logging jobs, returned to Chaff this week to enter school.

Loggoing has been making rapid strides during the good weather. The tram road of the Himmelberger-Harrison mill has been pushed several miles back into the timber northwest of town. Plans are made to extend the tram road north to a point just south of the Tanner Road about three miles west of the Scott County line, during the coming season.

J. W. Sarff reports that war wages are being paid timber workers and log haulers and that the price of timber is high.

Plans are about complete for an Auction Bridge Club of three tables.

The Morehouse School system is reaching out. There are three students from Grays Ridge, one from Salcedo, two from Canalou and one from Wahite.

The Triangle Club is making preparations for an active social season this fall.

Mrs. C. S. Hale reports that she does not like St. Louis near so well as Morehouse because her neighbors are not near so neighborly.

A new demerit system has been introduced in the High School. Ten demerits in any one month will cause suspension for the remainder of the month. Three demerits will cut off athletic and gymnasium privileges.

Miss Vera Walpole expects to leave Friday night for Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Margaret Anthony entertained Tuesday evening with a bridge party complimentary to Miss Vera Walpole.

Joe Britte, who has been in Laramie, Wyo., arrived Monday night for a visit with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. P. Britte.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein had as dinner guests Sunday Mesdames Mollie Long, Mollie Marshall, Betty Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. James Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Mayfield, Misses Mayme Marshall and Camille Klein.

ONLY ONE MORE DAY

AT 9:00 A. M., SATURDAY, the doors of our new **ECONOMY** will swing open and business will begin.

You have seen the big colored circulars which we broadcasted describing some of our special merchandise. If there ever was any doubt about your attendance—these bargains should make you determined to come.

There are other reasons why you should come. To see this new metropolitan store, modern in every respect, and the host of new goods will be a real treat.

When you see the large variety of merchandise that we have assembled, you will have ample proof of our desire to be of real service to you. You, therefore, cannot afford to miss this big event.

Consider this, please, your invitation to come—even if you don't intend to buy.

HARDWICK'S ECONOMY CENTER Sikeston, Missouri.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Everybody is getting ready for the Fair this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz shopped in Cairo Saturday.

Mrs. Thos. Mulkey visited in Cape Girardeau last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holderly visited in Matthews Monday.

Mrs. Marie Deane is teaching the Wilbur school this term.

Mr. and Mrs. Latimer visited relatives at Conran and Marston Sunday.

Mesdames Grover Heath and Clarence Hunott shopped in Sikeston Saturday.

Royal Alsop and sister Mrs. Florence Woodard were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Mr. Howard Steele, president of the Matthews Bank, made a business trip to Memphis last week.

Mrs. Bes. Fulkerson, Mrs. Clarence Sutton and Miss Addie James spent the week end with home folks.

The cotton yield around this vicinity promises to be a large one, although some of the cotton is rather late.

Our County Superintendent, P. J. Stearns, met with the school board and teachers here last Friday afternoon.

The only way to have good schools is for the parents, patrons and pupils to cooperate with the teachers, and let everyone try to do that this year.

A meeting of the school directors and all teachers in this consolidated district took place at the school house Friday afternoon to devise plans and

means for a more successful school year than we have ever had. It was decided to have a community fair here on Oct. 10th to which a cordial invitation is extended to every one to attend.

Cletus Hall of California is visiting friends and relatives here and at Canalou. Cletus is one of our boys and we are proud to see what a fine young man he has grown into.

Mrs. Nannie Mainord returned Sunday from a visit with her son, O. K. Mainord and family. Mr. and Mrs. Mainord accompanied their mother home and spent the day visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane, Miss Alice Deane, Mrs. S. A. Fox, Mrs. Amanda Long and Miss Sally Long spent Saturday in New Madrid, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lumert.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hulen of St. Louis are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young and children spent the week end in Poplar Bluff visiting relatives.

The Ford roadster which was given away Wednesday by the Fair Association went to Jerry Caverno of Canalou.

Every boy and girl who is a member of the pure-bred sheep club of Big Horn, Wyo., sleeps under a blanket made of wool from his own sheep, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture.

The Standard extends sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Denman of Farmington in the loss of their son, Harry King Denman, who died Monday of typhoid fever. His uncle, Clint H. Denman, left Wednesday to attend the funeral.

LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM NEW MADRID

Judge and Mrs. James A. Finch were Sikeston visitors Monday.

Mrs. James M. Householder began teaching the Ristine School Monday September 10.

F. E. Story and J. R. King of Matthews were transacting business at the court house Monday.

Miss Vivian Hart left Monday for Fredericktown where she will attend Marvin College this year.

Misses Dixie and Sybil Massengill and Sue Shelby left Monday to attend Teachers College at the Cape.

W. H. Tanner of Sikeston attended the Sunflowers Co-operative Association in New Madrid Saturday.

Miss W. T. Royer and daughter, Miss Hilma, returned Sunday from a several days visit to St. Louis.

Owing to the large attendance at the public school, Mrs. J. M. Massengill has been employed to teach the second grade.

Miss Evelyn Hunter, and her guest, Miss Agnes O'Meara of Cincinnati, Ohio, left Monday night for St. Louis to attend Visitation Convent.

Joe Shaw of Oakdale, La., who is enroute to Cape Girardeau to attend the State Teachers College, stopped over in New Madrid a few days to visit his brother, Superintendent A. M. Shaw, Jr.

O. O. Hamilton and daughter, Miss Dorris, of Tevlar, Fla., arrived in New Madrid Sunday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Mary C. Hamilton. Mrs. Hamilton stopped over at Little Rock for a visit with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Crossman and family.

HARDWICK'S NEW STORE TO OPEN SATURDAY

As announced elsewhere in this issue of The Standard, Hardwick's Economy Center, Sikeston's newest business enterprise, will open for business on Saturday, September 15.

Big preparations have been going on in transforming their store into a wonderland of bargains, which they announce is bound to shatter all standing records for volume of business because of the money-saving opportunities.

Large colored circulars are being sent out broadcast for miles around inviting the people to meet their neighbors at the opening sale which is announced to run eight days.

Mr. Hardwick said yesterday that he had made purchases of a large quantity of specially selected merchandise from choice lines of household, variety and personal wear requirements that would make this opening one of the foremost merchandise achievements in the history of Sikeston.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI BUREAU BOARD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau was held at Bloomfield last week. It was the best meeting, from the standpoint of attendance, that has been held for considerably over a year. Only five members of the sixteen were absent, and every county was represented. At the noon hour lunch was served by the ladies of the Baptist Church, which was followed by talks by several of the visitors.

Final plans were made for the big Southeast Missouri exhibit at the Tri-State Fair, which is to be held at Memphis, Tenn., September 22-29. It was decided by the Board to designate Wednesday, September 26, as Southeast Missouri Day at the Tri-State Fair and all Board members present pledged their presence at the Southeast Missouri Exhibit on that day. All Southeast Missourians are urged by the Bureau to visit this big Southern Fair and make headquarters at the Southeast Missouri booth. Here they will meet hundreds of Southerners every day who will listen with interest to the story of cotton growing in Southeast Missouri. Judging from the interest shown last year when the Bureau put on a special cotton exhibit at Memphis, it is believed that there will be plenty of interest in the general exhibit that will be displayed this year.

The citizens of Cape Girardeau are considering taking some of their splendid dairy cattle to the Memphis Fair. Should this be done a car load will be sent, about equally divided with Guernseys, Holsteins and Jerseys.

The resignation of H. O. Harrawood who has been doing special field and membership work for the Bureau during the summer, was accepted by the Board. Harrawood has gone back to school work, having accepted the principalship of a consolidated rural high school in Butler County. He did some very effective membership work during the three months he worked for the Bureau. He signed up nearly 100 new members, all for five year memberships.

The Board authorized the Secretary to prepare a letter to the Cotton States Merchants Association from the Board of Directors of the Bureau, thanking the organization for recognizing and honoring Southeast Missouri in electing as head of their organization a Southeast Missourian. Mr. Hinchey was present at the Board of Directors meeting and gave a brief address relating to the work of the organization of which he is now the head. He was elected president at the annual meeting of the organization, which was held at Memphis only a few weeks ago.

The Board members present at the Bloomfield meeting were: Dwight H. Brown, C. L. Harrison, L. J. Dunn, Thad Snow, X. Caverno, C. O. Raine, E. C. Matthews, W. H. Heisserer, J. A. Montgomery, Norman D. Blue, and Fred Naeter.

Nearly 4,000,000 hogs were slaughtered during July of this year in establishments operating under Federal meat inspection, breaking all previous records for hog slaughter during that month. The exact number that were slaughtered and inspected, according to the records of the Bureau of Animal Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, was 3,983,435. This number breaks the best previous July record, which occurred last year, by 879,113 hogs.

A female alligator will lay as many as 100 eggs at one time.

SPARKS CIRCUS REDUCES PRICES FOR CHILDREN

When the Sparks Circus exhibits in Sikeston next Friday, Sept. 21, a feature that should especially appeal to youngsters from far and near will be found in operation. Manager Charles Sparks announces a most welcome reduction in the price of children's tickets, and at both performances here all youngsters under 12 will be admitted for 30 cents, including war tax instead of the 50 cent price which has prevailed in late years.

Mr. Sparks writes: "Owing to our tremendous expenses, due to the high cost of practically everything used by our circus at present, it is utterly impossible to reduce the price of the adult tickets, for which we charge the standard rate of 75 cents. Realizing that the circus is primarily a children's entertainment and that circus day is one of the most important events in a child's life we gave the little ones first consideration when business conditions warranted a price reduction. I have always felt that the price of 50 cents for children's tickets charged by all the important circuses during the past few years has been a hardship to many a poor kiddie. While we are not philanthropists we do not expect to increase our revenue by the change. But we do anticipate greater numbers of children, and crowds of children to my mind are as important to the permanent success of a circus as the performance itself."

Greatly enlarged and even more lavishly equipped than in former years the Sparks Circus is preceded by most complimentary newspaper reviews from cities in which it has recently exhibited. Seats can be secured circus day at the Bijou same price as at the show grounds. The Sparks Circus will exhibit at the Fair Grounds.

SALVATION ARMY APPEAL TAG DAY, OCTOBER 13

The annual appeal for the Salvation Army will be the week of October 8. Let each one contribute their part so Sikeston can say, "We Went Over The Top." We hope that you will give the people who call on you soliciting donations a cordial reception as they are giving up their time, valuable time, toward this worthy appeal.

The Salvation Army headquarters at St. Louis have taken in and cared for four unfortunate girls from this city and the good people of Sikeston should uphold the good work being done by the Salvation Army by giving them the financial help desired.

The Sikeston committee is composed of C. C. White, C. L. Blanton, C. H. Denman, John Young, H. J. Welsh, L. C. Erdmann, Ed Fuchs, C. F. McMullin, Rev. Thos. Mather, Frank Dye, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, and Miss Bernice Tanner.

DR. MAYO GIVES RECIPE FOR PROLONGING LIFE FIVE YEARS

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 11.—The Average life of the human being has been prolonged from 12 to 15 years as a result of recent advances in medicine and surgery. Dr. Charles H. Mayo, of Rochester, Minn., declared last night before the Manitoba branch, American College of Surgeons. Dr. Mayo expressed the opinion that the progress already made would be surpassed in the years to come.

Dr. Mayo emphasized the need of education as the prime requisite in the battle against disease.

"The life of an individual," he said, "could be prolonged by five years if the medical practitioner were consulted every two years after a person passed his fortieth year."

Prominent Democrat Dies.

Marshall, Mo., Sept. 11.—Thomas S. Fisher, secretary of the Missouri State Democratic Committee, died at his home today. The funeral will be Thursday morning.

Fisher, who was campaign manager for Breckinridge Long when the latter ran for nomination for the United States Senatorship, recently announced his candidacy for Secretary of State. He operated a drug store here.

Fisher was operated upon recently in St. Louis and had just returned to his home where he suffered an attack of peritonitis.

Miss Mabel Clippard arrived Monday from Atlanta, Ga., for a visit with her sister, Miss Eula Clippard, enroute to her home at Oak Ridge.

Misses Lillie Velma Reed, Mary and Lena Snyder and Mary Louise Sweetney of Mounds City, Ill., arrived Wednesday for a visit with Miss Jewell Scott.

CASH FOR YOUR COTTON

We will open a special Cotton Department, under the supervision of well-known cotton experts, about

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1st

In the meantime, our regular organization will buy or bid on your cotton in the seed. See us before selling. It will pay you, as we allow best possible prices. Ask Mr. J. T. Baty, at the Main Office, for further particulars.

The Scott County Milling Company - Sikeston, Mo.

SIKESTON STANDARD

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A PRIMARY CONVENTION

That the primary has proved a clumsy, unsatisfactory method for nominating candidates for State offices cannot be denied. Many sincere citizens, however, pin their faith to the primary in preference to the old boss-controlled delegate convention system for the sole reason that it is less objectionable than the latter. It is a case of choosing the lesser of two evils. Yet it ought to be possible to devise a plan which would curb the bosses and at the same time obviate the grave disadvantages and injustice inherent in the primary on a statewide scale.

The objections to the state-wide primary are the expense it imposes upon aspirants for State office and the impossibility of the voters knowing the men who appeal for their support. In the smaller political units, such as cities and counties, the primary method of selecting candidates is practicable. The voters there know or can know, well enough the men who offer themselves as candidates to make intelligent choice. And in those smaller units the expense of a primary campaign is not a forbidding burden. That condition does not obtain in a State primary. There are exceptions, of course, when because of an outstanding issue or a dominant personality among the candidates an informed selection may be made. Ordinarily few voters who take part in the State primary know little or nothing about the candidates for many of the State offices, and their ballot is a guess, not a reasoned judgment.

Now, suppose the present local primary election were retained, and at such elections delegates were chosen for a State convention to nominate candidates for State offices. Such delegates, chosen locally, would be known. Their selection would be validated by the best of credentials, namely, the confidence and approval of their townsmen and neighbors. Such men could be trusted to carry out the popular will. They would not be hirelings of the bosses. They would be the representatives of their own communities.

The proposed selection of such men being made in a primary election, would be protected by all the safeguards of the law which surround the nominations of local candidates. A convention made up of delegates so named would be a legally certified convention—something very different from the old-time conventions whose delegates were named in local primaries called and controlled by party committees, with the bosses in the background directing the proceedings.

The compromise suggested would put the State convention wholly in the hands of the people. If the voters were diligent enough to go to the primaries and select trustworthy convention delegates it would exclude the bosses from exercising any sinister influence on the convention. It would revive the representative form of government in such large units as the State. It would reopen the doors to the State offices to men of State-stature but of ordinary financial means.—Post-Dispatch.

OIL AMONG THE ANCIENTS

The oil industry had its birth in the United States about 1858, when crude oil was analyzed and a well was drilled at Titusville, Pa. But our Indians and the races before them, knew crude oil. Thousands of years before Christ, Babylonians and Chaldean masons used it in semiliquid form for cementing the bricks of their towering walls, and it was used in building the pyramids.

Herodotus mentions a well from which three substances, asphalt, salt and oil were pumped. Oil from natural springs in the temple of Jupiter at Rome, and the wealthy illuminated their homes with it. The ancient Chinese and the Persians used it for light and heat, and it enters into the preservatives of the Egyptian embalmers.

More than one-third of the American dollar is spent for food.

Buddhism is the faith of at least a quarter of the human race.

Use of asphalt has increased greatly during the last three years.

THE ISSUES OF 1924

The change in the office of Chief Executive does not change the fact that the Presidential campaign of 1924 will be fought out on questions of party policy.

One of the first announcements of President Coolidge was that he would carry out the policies of President Harding, and he gave the best evidence possible that he intends to do so by retaining the full membership of President Harding's Cabinet. President Coolidge, therefore, should have full credit for complete sincerity in making this promise. The issues of 1924 in view of this promise, remain unchanged, however they may be supplemented by issues raised by the new President.

"What will be the issues of 1924?" is a question often asked. The most specific and comprehensive answer so far has been made by Cordell Hull, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee. Chairman Hull says: "All the live and material issues of 1924 cannot now be forecasted, either in general or in detail, both on account of changing conditions and of the ability of the party in power to make and unmake some issues by acts of omission and commission. All pressing and vital issues materially affecting the welfare of the people, or of most of them, should be kept abreast of each other. The next Democratic National Convention alone can define the issues for the Democrats. From present-day opinion and discussions, however, the following may be pointed to as some of the most important issues of the present and the immediate future, without reference to the order of their importance:

"The demonstrated failure of the Republican administration dominated by the Old Guard at all times, which has been aimless, instable, and unable either to understand or to solve most of the acute domestic and international problems.

"The broken Republican platform pledge to reduce the high cost of living and to prosecute the profiteers.

"The Fordney-McCumber tariff law already costing the people four billion dollars a year in excessive and extortionate prices.

"Special privileges in its many other aggravated forms, as prompted and championed by the Republican administration.

"The practical application of the

principle of international cooperation embracing the essentials and fundamentals of the foreign policies of the recent Democratic administration, to existing conditions, contrasted with the humiliating failure of the Republican administration to deal decisively with any important phase of foreign affairs.

"A constructive patriotic merchant marine policy against the proposed \$750,000,000 ship subsidy.

"A sound and humane industrial policy to solve industrial problems,—to insure full and equal justice to labor and capital, and to sustain their peaceful relations,—in contrast with hopeless Republican failure during the past two years.

"Relief in transportation and transportation costs.

"A more progressive and constructive remedy for the desperate conditions of agriculture, especially as it relates to transportation and distribution and foreign markets.

"Speedy and equitable tax reductions—Federal, State and local—accompanied by rigid economy.

"State rights and local self-government in matters purely local in their nature.

Honesty and efficiency in the public service, contrasted with corruption and almost anarchy in a number of Government departments.

"Republican betrayal of the Civil Service.

"A much higher standard of public and political morals in contrast with Newberryism and Daughertyism.

"Application of the great body of intelligent, sound, liberal, and progressive sentiment to the prompt solution of conditions and problems affecting the commercial, economic, industrial and social welfare of the people.

"The adoption of sound, economic and trade policies, domestic and foreign, in contrast with existing wholly unsound policies, or none at all, of the Republican administration."

The thing that makes a fellow swell up like a puffed-up pup is to have your lino-type operator leave town with all his belongings without giving any notice whatever and leave you in a devil of a hole. That is just what a fellow did to The Standard Tuesday morning. It was contemptible.

Miss Eleanor McKee of Rolla, Mo., arrived Monday for a visit with Sikeston friends.

THE WAR HABIT

Once again the war clouds loom in Southeastern Europe. This time it is Italy and Greece, both now standing with drawn swords on the brink of war. Mussolini, leader of the Italian fascisti, dominant figure in Italy for the past two years, sends a demand to Greece, calling upon her to apologize for real or fancied wrongs. Upon whether or not the powers that be at Athens will grant the desired answer to this ultimatum depends war or peace, it is stated. The habit of war is ingrained in man. Despite utmost suffering, despite a lesson which it was thought, during the long years of the great world war so recently past, would leave its impress upon the hearts of man for generations to come, he still calls upon the science of modern annihilation to settle his differences. Forgetting, in his blindness, that when all is over, war settles nothing. When the cannon and the bomb are silent, when the marching hosts have been disbanded, the point at issue still remains, to be settled around the tables of the diplomats. It does seem that man's reasoning powers have reached a point where he should at least have enough intelligence to sidestep useless pain, horror and death, incurred for the sake of a cause which, at the best, is of infinitesimal importance by comparison with the devastation of war.

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For Quality, Flavor and the Sealed Package, get
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THE FLAVOR LASTS

Here is where The Standard editor makes another ass of himself and somebody mad at him and his paper. Anyway, we don't give a tinker. On Tuesday a man by the name of Jones was brought up before his honor, Justice Lescher, for writing a note to a 14-year-old girl making a veiled indecent proposal to her. Jones runs the lunch stand near Pitman's tailor shop. It was proven by two other girls that they saw Jones write the note to the girl and it was shown that he had been more or less interested in the child of late. The note was a plain proposal to the girl to accompany this old devil out in the country where he would pay her two dollars. The case came before a jury of tried and true men who found him guilty and assessed his fine at \$51. The maximum fine is \$100 or 90 days in jail, or both a fine and jail sentence. When the virtue of a 14-year-old girl is only valued at \$5 it is time to rise up and say that this is a hell of a town to attempt to bring a girl up in. This sort

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Whereas, T. A. Ridenour and Leslie Ridenour by their certain Deed of Trust dated the 13th day of November, 1919, and recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, at Deed Book 32 page 31, conveyed to M. G. Gresham, as Trustee, all their right, title, interest and estate, in and to the following described Real Estate, situated in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, viz:

Lot One (1) in Block Four (4), in Fletcher's Addition to the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri.

And Whereas, in said deed of trust it was provided that in case the said M. G. Gresham was unable to act as Trustee that the Sheriff of Scott County, Missouri, might act as his successor in trust;

And Whereas, the said M. G. Gresham is disqualified from acting as Trustee because of interest; which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in said deed described, and whereas the said note has become due and unpaid, now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described Real Estate at the City Hall Door in the City of Sikeston, in the County of Scott, State aforesaid, to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, on Saturday, the 29th day of September, 1923, between the hours of nine in the forenoon and five in the afternoon of that day to satisfy said note, together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

William Kirkindall,
Acting Trustee
Dated this 6th day of September, 1923

of leniency is what calls for drastic action from father's of girls who value their virtue above \$5 and notify the scoundrels who attempt to seduce them that they must leave the community or be dealt with after the sun goes down.

The editor acknowledges the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Cape

Fair to be held next week. The ticket was sent by President Bergman. We especially appreciate the thoughtfulness of Mr. Bergman for the words "and lady" instead of "wife." These little things sometimes avoids much embarrassment!

Each stem of the wild poppy has from 10,000 to 60,000 seeds.

MALONE THEATRE

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17th

Nights 7:30 O'clock

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The Latest, Greatest and Best in Pictures Today

Management of Malone Theater takes great pleasure in presenting Sixth Annual Paramount Week

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Conrad Nagel, Hope Hampton, Lew Cody and Nita Naldi in

"Lawful Larceny"

Is Husband-Stealing Lawful Larceny!
Also, Comedy, Torchy "BATTLING" and NEWS
Admission 20c and 40c

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Jacqueline Logan and Maurine Flynn in

"Salomy Jane"

By Bret Harte.
Also, NEWS
Admission, 10c and 30c

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Zane Grey's Latest and Greatest Story in Picture

"To The Last Man"

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Conrad Nagel, Hope Hampton, Lew Cody and Nita Naldi in

"LAWFUL LARCENY"

MADGE KENNEDY
—in—
"THE PURPLE HIGHWAY"
Betty Compton in
"The Woman With Four Faces"

Agnes Ayres and Jack Holt
—in—
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SEPT. 19-20

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"SALOMY JANE"
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"RUGGLES OF RED GAP"
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GLORIA SWANSON
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"TO THE LAST MAN"
with Lois Wilson and Richard Dix

Thomas Meighan
—in—
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BIG SPARKS CIRCUS IS COMING TO TOWN SOON

An unparalleled aggregation of startling, beautiful, educational and amusing features is the Sparks Circus, which is coming to Sikeston on Friday, Sept. 21. From year to year the great canvasses of this modernized circus have grown bigger and bigger, the trains longer and longer until today all double length, all steel cars ranking as high as 6 feet in length are required to transport this great aggregation. There are a wonderful menagerie, a gorgeously dressed Spectacle, trained elephants, lions, tigers, leopards, polar bears, llamas and ostriches, marvelous riders, beautiful girls, handsome men, amusing clowns and the finest horses in the world; in fact a vast concourse of men and women, of trained animals and equipment unrivalled in their lines, guaranteed to give the most daring, interesting, artistic, startling performance ever seen here under canvas. And as a special feature the Sparks Circus is this season presenting the famous Sparks Rotation Horses—16 in number and recognized throughout the entire horse world of the universe as the world's greatest educated equine display. These horses are a recent importation from Stellinghen, Germany, and are making their first American appearance with the Sparks Circus—which, by the way, will appeal to both old and young, to the boy and girls who believe in animal worship; to the woman who has an eye for the artistic; to the man who will not allow his heart to grow old; in fact to everyone the Sparks Circus is the fulfillment of a dream, for it is the very last word in Circus Glory. Seats can be secured circus day at

the Bijou Drug Store same price as at the show grounds. The Sparks Circus will exhibit at the Fair Grounds.

NOTES ABOUT WOMEN

Miss Margaret H. Kidd is Scotland's first woman lawyer. Belgian girls who have spent their lives on French high heels are discarding that type of shoe for American common-sense styles. Two of the 23 women who recently passed the Trinity Bar Associations in London are from India and will practice in their own country. Queen Marie of Rumania is wonderfully gifted. She paints, plays on several instruments, writes plays, dresses exquisitely and is a superb horsewoman. Miss Alma D. Wagan, only woman mountain guide in America, has just completed her fifth season as a Government guide in Ranier National Park. In 1882 Massachusetts admitted women to the bar and in 1904, 22 years later, the Massachusetts Association of Women Lawyers was organized with 40 members. Mrs. Alice Felton of Morehouse Parish, Louisiana, is known as the Cotton Queen on account of her successful management of her estate of 3000 acres and 600 negro laborers. Mrs. Annie W. Hochfelder, practicing attorney in New York City, and mother of two boys, has the honor of being the first Assistant Corporation Counsel appointed for Brooklyn. Gingham handkerchiefs are quite the newest thing for women. A female alligator will lay as many as 100 eggs at one time.

WHO'S WHO IN "LAWFUL LARCENY"

Brief sketches of motion picture players always are read with avidity by screen fans. Here are notes on the featured players in the cast of "Lawful Larceny." If you have a theatre program; if not, send them to your home town editor for a filing. They will be glad to receive them.

Hope Hampton—Born in Houston, Texas. Her first screen appearance was in "Woman." Later after winning first honors in a beauty contest in New Orleans, she starred in "A Modern Salome," followed by "The Bait," "Stardust" and "The Light in the Dark."

Nita Naldi—One of the really imposing figures of the screen. Miss Naldi scored a great success in "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" and "Experience." Her acting ability was displayed to excellent advantage in the Paramount picture, "Blood and Sand." She also appeared in "The Glimpses of the Moon" and "You Can't Fool Your Wife."

Lew Cody—Born in Waterville, Maine, and educated at McGill University, Montreal, Canada. Mr. Cody made his screen debut in "A Beloved Cheater." His work in "Lawful Larceny" marks his return to Paramount.

Conrad Nagel—Born in Keokuk, Ia. Mr. Nagel played for some years in stock. In New York he appeared in "Experience," "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath," "The Man Who Came Back" and "Forever After." Among his more notable Paramount pictures were "Pool's Paradise," "Nice People," "The Impossible Mrs. Bellew," "Grumpy" and "Bella Donna."

Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 17 and 18.

INVENTIVE MINDS

An eight-wheeled motor truck in a California city can carry freight at a speed of 35 miles an hour.

A Frenchman has invented a light automobile than can be made to jump over obstacles three feet high.

Inserting a lead pencil completes a circuit and starts in operation a new electric pencil-sharpener.

Bricks of ice cream from one to three flavors are made by a machine at a rate of 20 gallons a minute without the product being touched by the hands of workers.

The ends of a new ice cream cone-holder, invented by a New Jersey man, can be used either as legs or handles for supporting or carrying it.

A new keyless lock for automobile steering columns automatically operates when a car stops.

A new dishwashing brush has fibre cords on one side of its head and stiff bristles on the other.

The knives of a new vegetable shredder can be removed for sharpening.

Judge Clark Russell, Attorney Haw and F. D. Lair of Charleston were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

Richard Barnett, who spent the summer in Denver returned Tuesday morning in time to sell tickets at the Big Fair.

CO-OPERATIVE SUN FLOWER MARKETING

By Harry C. Hensley.

(This is the first of a series of four articles discussing the problems connected with the marketing of sunflowers. The second article will appear in our next issue—The Editor.)

The Sunflower Growers Association has been discussed and criticized by members and non-members alike. Some have condemned it; others have defended it. Some believe it lost them money; others know it has made them money. The production of sunflower seed is of economic and general interest not only to farmers but to the business interests of Southeast Missouri as well. What are the possibilities of the crop? Is the Association right in principle? Is it entitled to the patronage of the producer and should it have the support of the business interests?

Association Stands on Its Record. The association has finished its third year of operation and is entering the fourth. It should be able to stand on its record and justify its existence. It was organized in the late summer of 1920. The production the previous year had been small. The price had been high. Scores of farmers on the Sikeston ridge who had never before grown the crop, planted large acreages. Experienced growers became alarmed. Could the big crop be marketed? They remembered the experiences of 1915. That year the market went to pieces. Tens of thousands of pounds were carried over because of the exceedingly low price. Hence the reason for organizing the association. The original plan called for pooling the seed by grades and issuing warehouse receipts to growers who were to use these, if necessary, to obtain loans at the banks.

Long Time Contract Necessary. The crop contract provided for the orderly marketing of the crop. It was a one year contract with provisions for automatic renewal. Subsequent developments indicated that it was not legally drawn. The one year provision did not provide enough time to give the association a chance to make good. Then the crash in commodity prices came without warning. It not only swept the sunflower association off its feet but the producers of cotton, wheat, and corn as well. The members could not finance themselves. The association undertook this job to save itself. It convinced the secretary of agriculture by wire that the sunflower seed ought to be classed as grain established grades and standards; bonded three warehouses under the U. S. Warehouse Act; borrowed \$30,000.00 and advanced this money to growers at a time when they were unable to borrow the money themselves. The directors recognized that either one of two things must happen. The association would sell its seed and the outsiders would have to hold, or the outsiders would sell and the association would have to hold. So the manager was given power of attorney to sell and was sent to St. Louis, Kansas City and Chicago, near the last of September with samples of the first seed delivered to the warehouses. He returned, having sold only half a car load. Buyers were scared. Prices were falling. The die was cast. The market became demoralized. For a period the association could not have sold all of the seed in its possession and paid its just debts. A similar condition prevailed with holders of cotton and other crops.

Association Secured Tariff. The association obtained a storage-in-transit privilege; secured a freight rate reduction of 50 per cent; disposed of 100 tons of seed to the oil mills and used that as a club to bring the buyers back into the market in the summer of 1921. In the meantime the association went after a tariff to shut out foreign seed which was being dumped on our markets. This took time to accomplish. Finally late in August, 1921, the last car of seed was sold and final settlement made with members. The members were disappointed. So were the directors. By action of the directors the members were given their choice of pooling the 1921 crop or selling. They sold. A small pool was conducted. Those who pooled made money. In 1922 the association handled two-thirds as much as in 1920. The association advised all growers to pool, but bought if they did not want to pool. Again those who pooled made money. Some members bought seed and pooled it with the association. The tariff bill was passed late in September. It carried 2 cents a pound on sunflowers—the amount asked by the association. Prices rose rapidly and growers received at least \$100,000.00 more for their seed because of the tariff. They could have received double this amount by pooling.

Operating Cost Has Decreased. The total cost of operating the association in 1920 was approximately 40 cents per cwt. Last year the cost was 25 cents per cwt. The sales in 1920 amounted to \$70,000.00. Last year the sales were \$80,000.00. So it appears that the association is becoming more efficient. It is believed that it sold the highest priced car of seed which moved out of the district last year. The price received f. o. b. New Madrid was 7 cents.

Had the association been organized in 1921 it would no doubt have been far more appreciated by its members. The fact that it was able to live through those trying years indicate that it must be founded and operated on sound business principles. Because it has been in the market at the leading points throughout the district and furnished competition it has served to stabilize prices. It will buy and sell seed this year and pay the market price. It will conduct a pool for those who care to handle their crop that way.

Absolutely Cooperative. Two hundred members own the stock and no member owns more than one share. The profits which it has made belongs to these members. It welcomes new members. Its books are open for the inspection of its

members and other interested parties. The directors recommend reorganization on the basis of the plan used by the Missouri Cotton Growers Association. Its case is in the hands of the growers. Its future lies before it. Is it worth while to organize the sunflower seed industry? Shall the grower sell his seed this year at thrashing time, or shall he pool his seed and merchandise rather than dump it?

SPARKS CIRCUS TRAINER DOES NOT KNOW THE MEANING OF WORD FEAR

Around the "padroom" they call him "the man without fear." They do not give him special credit for what he does—they believe fear simply was left out of his make-up when he was born and nothing he can do excites them. But to those who know, there is a different story behind the actions of Steve Batty, Hungarian lion tamer of the Sparks Circus which is coming to Sikeston on Friday, Sept. 21. For Steve does have fear—but he never allows it to conquer him. Never does he appear in the great steel arena where his five ferocious charges with anything more to protect him than an ordinary kitchen chair and a cheap buggy whip. If a lion should take a desire to kill him there would be no chance for Batty. But Batty laughs at such a thought. "See those eyes?" he asks as two steel gray ones stare into yours. That's all I need to save me. I keep the buggy whip to tap a lion on the nose when I want him to do some certain thing. I keep the kitchen chair to make the lion feel at home and to block his leap if he should jump at me and when I've got that leap blocked I use these eyes and I've never found the animal yet that could keep up his anger when I really fastened my eyes on him. Maybe I hypnotize him, I don't know." Batty will demonstrate his methods of lion training when he comes here with the circus. But he is to form only a part of the big show. There are other wild animal acts and they range all the way from tigers and leopards to a group of genuine South American llamas—the first of their kind to ever succumb to the art of the trainer. All of these and many more will be seen in the lengthy street parade at 10:30 o'clock on circus day. Seats can be secured circus day at Bijou Drug Store same price as at the show grounds. The Sparks Circus will exhibit on the Fair Grounds.

ODDS AGAINST GOV. SMITH QUOTED 20 TO 1 BY BROKERS

New York, Sept. 11.—Al Smith, 20 to 1; Hiram Johnson, 5 to 1; William Hayward, 5 to 1; Henry Ford, 3 to 1.

The above odds were quoted by the brokerage house of W. L. Darnell & Co., 44 Broad Street, last night in the presidential and gubernatorial sweepstakes.

There is \$1000 on deposit with the brokers to be laid against \$20,000 that Gov. Smith will be elected President; \$500 was bet against \$2500 yes-

FAIR WEATHER DURING FAIR TIME—

To entertain your relatives and visiting friends you must bear the feeling of a distinctive appearance.

Ladies, while in Sikeston, don't forget to visit our "Fashion Center," where you will see the newest styles and materials in Dresses, Coats, Suits and Millinery at prices that please.

It is our pleasure to show you.



terday that Senator Hiram Johnson will receive the Republican nomination for President; the same amount at the same odds was laid that Hayward will be the Republican nominee for Governor of New York. An offer to bet \$1000 against \$3000 that Henry Ford will be elected if nominated on either Republican or Democratic ticket remained uncovered.

Mr. Land Owner:

I want to rent 160 to 250 acres improved cotton land. I have years of experience as a cotton farmer and ginmer. Capacitated to handle large acreage, have cotton crop this year near Caruthersville that shows for itself. Very best of references. J. A. Johnson, Box 429, Caruthersville, Mo.

What Springfield, Ohio, Said of Sparks Circus:

The Sun, Friday, August 10th:

"Sparks Circus can come back to Springfield any time it desires and a hearty welcome will be awaiting it. It was the cleanest, snappiest, brightest and best circus ever in our city, and we have had them all. The animal acts were especially sensational."

The MASTERPIECE OF THE TENTED WORLD!

SPARKS CIRCUS

THIS SEASON AUGMENTED BY THE

EARTH'S MOST WONDERFUL

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BEASTS

350 ARENIC ARTISTS

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The 20th CENTURY WONDER SHOW

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THE OBITUARY OF THE HORSE WILL NEVER BE WRITTEN AS LONG AS THE "SPARKS CIRCUS" LIVES!

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Admission and Reserved Seats on Sale Circus Day at the Bijou Confectionery. Same Price as at Show Grounds.

SIKESTON

Fair Grounds Circus Lot

FRI. SEPT.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

We wish to announce that we have removed our stock of Drugs, Druggist Sundries, Victrolas, etc., to the Derris Building on Front street, where we will be glad to have our friends and patrons call.

We feel especially grateful to the public for the liberal patronage accorded us in the past and hope by courteous treatment and square dealing to merit a continuance of the same.

Our new store is your store and we shall be delighted to continue to be a servant to the public.

W. E. DERRIS

The Druggist

NEW MADRID LOCALS

Dr. E. E. Jones of Lilbourn made a professional trip to New Madrid Friday.

Andy Wilson of Island No. 8 transacted business in New Madrid Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Slack of Sikeston spent Saturday afternoon in New Madrid.

Mrs. J. M. Miles returned home Friday from a visit to her parents at New Hampton, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Howard and Mrs. Walter L. Meier were shopping in Cairo Friday.

F. D. Morgan and Leon Swartz of Matthews were business visitors in New Madrid Friday.

Mrs. S. Manheimer left Saturday night on a business trip to St. Louis and to visit relatives.

T. M. Finley of near Caledonia and C. E. Finley of Oran spent Thursday in New Madrid on business.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Henry of Sikeston were the guests of relatives and friends in New Madrid Sunday.

Mrs. T. A. Penman and her guest Mrs. Mary Penny of Philo, Ill., visited friends at the county seat Thursday.

Thos. M. Finley of Caledonia, Mo., and C. E. Finley of Oran were business visitors in New Madrid Thursday.

Julien N. Friant and Clarence Hutson of Cape Girardeau were looking after business matters in New Madrid last week.

George Boon and James Bloomfield left Saturday for Chicago, where they expect to attend school at the DePaul University.

Senator Tillman Anderson and brother Wade of Commerce spent Thursday in New Madrid attending Mrs. A. B. Hunter's hog sale.

Mrs. Warner Phillips and two little daughters of Cottonwood Point, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee C. Phillips this past week.

Atty. Geo. H. Traylor, who has been in Jefferson City this summer, as a member of the Constitutional Convention arrived home Sunday.

Attorney Valentine Perkins has purchased the home of Mrs. H. E. Broughton Jr. on Mill street and moved over from Lilbourn last week.

Miss Louise Broughton of Cairo spent several days this past week visiting her parents near Marston and relatives and friends in New Madrid.

Robert M. Penman of Philo, Ill., is visiting his son, T. A. Penman, near Portageville, and accompanied the accompanied the Judge to the county capital Friday.

Mrs. A. L. Searles and little son, Jack of Caruthersville were guests this past week at the home of her aunts, Misses Letitia and Hattie Lewis of this city, returning to her home Saturday.

Mrs. Lee C. Phillips and daughter Miss Mildred returned home last week from an extensive motor trip to California, on a visit to the former's son Louis and family. Miss Dixie Shy and her brother Arthur Shy accompanied them.

LIMBAUGH-ARTERBURN.

Married on September 12, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Arterburn on Ruth St., at 3:30 p. m., Dr. Chester W. Limbaugh and Miss Ruth E. Arterburn, Rev. S. P. Brite officiating. The house was beautifully decorated with smilax and roses. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Dudley.

The groom and bride were accompanied by Mr. Richard Barnett and Miss Elizabeth Welch.

Only a few special friends of the young couple witnessed the joyful occasion. After the wedding light refreshments were served. The happy young couple have the best wishes of numerous friends for a long and happy married life.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

9:30 Sunday School. Classes for all ages and grades.

11:00 Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor.

6:30 The B. Y. P. U. meets for Bible study and social worship.

7:30 Evening worship. Song service and sermon. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

Mrs. Carter of Chicago is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Crain.

Dr. A. L. Stepp has just returned from Rochester, Minn., where he has been attending the Mayo's Clinics.

Constable Burks shot a man connected with the Carnival, Wednesday afternoon. The bullet hit him in the arm. The Standard doesn't care to comment on the case as some trouble is likely to arise to the constable.

THE FARMER'S NEW POSITION

By WALTER W. HEAD,
First Vice-President American Bankers Association

The farmer today is more than a tiller of the soil. He is a business man. Raising crops is only a part of his business, if he is a real up-to-date Twentieth Century farmer. Problems of marketing, distribution and financing are equally important.

The complexity of our modern economic organization makes it necessary for the farmer to understand and assist in solving these problems if he is to succeed. In this new role—as a business man—the farmer steadily has advanced to a better position.

There was a time when the farmer was dependent wholly upon private marketing agencies, whose interest was not always identical with his own, whose greed for profits sometimes out-matched consideration of the farmer's need. Today there are many great co-operative marketing organizations that handle a large part of the farmer's crop and win for him more liberal treatment from the private agencies which still handle the bulk of his production.

Today the farmer also has his own co-operative agencies of credit. If not satisfied with the terms upon which his local capitalist is willing to advance money upon a land mortgage, the farmer can go directly to the Federal Land Bank, which, by reason of tax-exemption and other advantages incidental to its governmental character, can loan money at a rock-bottom rate of interest.

In addition, the federal government has established another group of banks which permit the local bankers—by rediscount privileges—to extend the farmer credit for his current operations on a more favorable basis than ever before. If he thinks his local bank is not sufficiently responsive to his need, this same legislation enables him to join with other farmers in a co-operative marketing association and arrange for credit direct from the government banks.

New Credit Facilities

For years it has been the farmer's complaint—with considerable justification—that he, alone of all producers, has been forced to market his crop on the buyer's terms because of his inability to use his products, in storage, as a basis for credit. Today the agricultural credits act authorizes the acceptance of warehouse receipts, on non-perishable agricultural products, as collateral for loans, the same as in the case of sugar or other commodities of commerce.

These developments have relieved the farmer from what seemed to be persecution by short-sighted, tight-fisted, grasping grain dealers, landlords and bankers—for there were some bankers who were guilty of this very thing, who thought of the farmer principally as a weak and ignorant opponent in a game whose only stake was the collection of a high rate of interest. The farmer's suspicion of the banker arose because of misunderstanding, because he judged bankers as a class by the derelictions of a few. Today, with these sources of government-controlled credit available at his call, the farmer cannot charge or even suspect that the bankers are conspiring to do him harm.

As the real farmer has taken advantage of these opportunities, he has made himself a business man. Like other successful business men, he is equipped with credit to finance his operations, he is able to make use of labor-saving machinery, he is able to barter with buyers of his products as their equal.

COMPULSORY THRIFT

In Kansas a group of power and telephone companies is trying a compulsory thrift plan, which affects about 1,200 employees and applies to every member of the organization from the president to the humblest day laborer. The plan requires that each shall save and invest monthly at least 10 per cent of his income.

Every month each employee must make a report to the general office of how much he has saved, and in what he has invested it. The investment must be approved by a committee competent to advise. Government securities, savings bank accounts, building and loan stock, payment on a home, even payments on furniture are allowed. If debts have been incurred, these must be listed and payments may be arranged on them, but no more are to be assumed. The idea is to make the employee live within his means and also lay aside something in a definite form.

Reports for the first nine months show that about 13 per cent of the wages have been saved, no single employee falling below 10 per cent. This amounts to over \$100,000. Failure to report or to save brings dismissal, but in only two instances among the 1,200 employees was such action needed. Budget books are distributed and their use explained as a helpful method in establishing a working scale of living that will allow for thrift.

Miss Eleanor McRae of Rolla, Mo., arrived Monday for a visit with Sikeston friends.

FARM WANTED.—Want to buy farm of 40 or 50 acres near Sikeston. Interested parties inquire of Standard.

FOR SALE.—Stover Gasoline pumping engine with magnets, \$45.00. Farmers Supply Co., Agricultural Department.

Improved methods of growing wheat to produce better grain and grow it more economically, advocated by agricultural extension workers, were adopted on over 90,000 farms in 1922, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture. One and one quarter million bushels of seed wheat were treated by farmers for smut in this connection.

SEED WHEAT

Fulbri certified by State University. Guaranteed perfect, free from faulty grains, cockle, screenings, white caps, objectionable materials. Few cents more per acre will greatly increase your average yield. Limited quantity. Write now for price, sample, record results other farmers. Theodore Hopper, Box 438, Sikeston, Missouri.

Tom Brown, a former Sikestonian who is with the Asiatic Fleet in Japanese waters, is one of the sailors now helping bury the dead and ministering to the living of Japan following the earthquake.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. White spent Monday in Cairo and Birds Point. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Langford of Poplar Bluff arrived Thursday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott and family.

Gingham handkerchiefs are quite the newest thing for women. Mrs. F. E. Jones and daughter, Miss Pearl, returned Sunday from a visit in Palo Alto and Cobden, Ill., and Jonesboro, Ark.

NOTICE TO COTTON GROWERS

Our new Gin, on the Frisco Railroad just north of Scott County Mill A. will be open for Custom Ginning

Monday, September 17th

This gin is one of the most modern plants in Southeast Missouri, the sole aim in building having been to provide the growers with facilities that would give them the best results with the least delays.

NOTE: We positively cannot handle damp cotton, as it injures the machinery and will greatly reduce the grade or value of your cotton in the handling. See that your cotton is DRY before offering it to us for ginning. Cotton must also be free from hulls and trash.

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More New Ladies' and Misses' HATS

More New Silk BLOUSES

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ESPECIALLY, is brimming over with Beautiful Models, that New York's foremost makers only can produce. More Dresses to choose from, than tree other stores combined can show you. Undoubtedly, if we could show you this wonderful collection, you would be just as enthusiastic as we are.

Please come and see them. Courteous Sales Ladies will be glad to show you. You will not be urged to buy.

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\$17.50, \$20, \$22.50 values SATURDAY ONLY

\$13.75

Brand new Dresses, just arrived. Some are embroidered, some are beaded, pretty styles. For one Day, Saturday. Specially priced \$13.75.

More New Silk KIMONAS

POIRET TWILL Dresses

\$15.00, \$17.50 values Prettily Embroidered

\$10.98

Every one a rare bargain, at the sales price of \$10.98. We advise early selection.

More New Crepe KIMONAS



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\$24.95

\$27.50

\$37.50

Largest line in Southern Illinois to choose from. Materials are Poirer Twill, Gaberdine, Twill Cord, Silk Canton Crepe, Satin face Canton Crepe, Charmeuse, Georgette, Crepe de Chine. Only our wonderful purchasing power makes it possible to offer such beautiful models at such prices.

More New Novelty SKIRTS

More New Children's COATS

More New Ladies' and Misses' COATS

FRISCO LINES

Important Changes In Time of Trains

A change in schedule of certain Frisco trains will be made effective

Sunday, September 23, 1923

For detailed information inquire of Ticket Agent

J. N. CORNATZAR
Passenger Traffic Manager
St. Louis, Mo.

FAIR SALES

Salted Peanuts, 1-2 pound.....	10c
Peanut Butter Kisses, large bag.....	10c
Coat Hangers, 3 for.....	10c
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THE BIG S. E. MO. FAIR ONE GREAT BIG SUCCESS

The first day of the Southeast Missouri District Fair, which opened its gates Wednesday morning, was the biggest first day ever had. The cash gate receipts showed more than 3300 paid admissions where all the school children from the four surrounding counties were admitted free. With the school children the crowd must have been near the 6000 mark. The weather throughout the day was a trifle hazy and made some of the well-wishers just a little uneasy for fear of a rain, but, thank goodness, no such misfortune came. The crowd Wednesday night was all that could be accommodated and all concessions seemed to be busy. The dance hall was crowded for hours where the flappers and others enjoyed themselves to their hearts content. The carnival is the cleanest and most orderly that has ever been on the fair grounds and the Fair Association are fortunate, indeed, to have secured this attraction.

The agricultural hall is filled with very choice exhibits and the good things to eat that were exposed to the view of a hungry editor was almost maddening. However, we were told to feast our eyes as that was all we would get. Very discouraging.

Next was the poultry house where several hundred birds were cooped in sanitary coops rented by the Fair especially for the show. The white varieties were most in evidence, though the editor saw several other "chickens" in the room that didn't look so bad. Next was the hog barn where the biggest exhibit ever on the lot were penned. It was hard, at times, to tell whether it was the two-legged or four-legged variety that smelled the strongest as the herdsmen were oiling the hogs getting them ready for the judging. In the cattle barn there was room for no more, and one could take his choice as to breeds he liked best.

The farm machinery exhibits had a crowd about them all the time as the farmer is watching them close to see if they are going to come down the ladder of high prices to meet his products part of the way. You would have to go to a city to see a finer display of automobiles and accessories than were shown.

This is a very short mention of the many things on the grounds so it is up to you to attend every day and see for yourself.

WEARS GOWNS WORTH \$25,000 IN NEW PICTURE

Hope Hampton shines with transcendent splendor in the variety of beautiful gowns valued at \$25,000 which she wears in Allan Dwan's latest Paramount production, "Lawful Larceny," which will be shown at the Malone Theater next Monday and Tuesday. Never before has Miss Hampton worn such an array of costumes as in Mr. Dwan's picturization of this famous stage play. She wears ten different creations, ranging from exquisite negligees to bizarre evening gowns.

In the character Marion Dorsey which Miss Hampton portrays in the picture, she steps out of the role of mother and faithful housewife for the temporary part of the scheming vampire in which her wits are matched with those of Vivian Hepburn, the other woman in the story, portrayed by Nita Naldi. The wide scope of this part gives Miss Hampton the chance to wear clothes that will delight the eye and the envy of every woman that sees the picture.

Just to give some idea of Miss Hampton's gowns, let it be noted that one of the striking gowns is made of peach-colored taffeta—Hope Hampton peach, the exact duplicate of the gown she wore at the international silk show held some time ago at the Grand Central Palace in New York, with an orchid flounce in front and trimmed with roses. It has a modified hoopskirt effect.

Another is a silver cloth gown with an overdraped of orchid chiffon, embroidered in turquoise medallions. In contrast to this she wears a black satin dress, trimmed with ermine tails down the side. With this Miss Hampton wears a short ermine coat and a white hat with goose feathers. Still another of her fetching creations is a dark blue velvet gown, cut low in the back, with a daisy design outlined with seed pearls.

Misses Uline Fenwick, Myra Tapner, Pauline Graham and Mrs. Charles Lindley motored to Cairo last Thursday where they spent the day.

THE COTTON CROP IS NOW ON THE MOVE

Three loads of cotton was marketed in Sikeston Tuesday. It was neck and neck between N. M. Moore of Pharris Ridge and Jim Files on the G. B. Greer farm as to which sold the first load. Anyway, Moore had a check for \$180 for his load and Files \$145 for his, both selling for 10c per pound in the seed. John Calvin brought in a load in the afternoon. All three loads were sold to the Scott County Milling Company. The price for the first two loads was a trifle above the market price as a premium was paid on same. Quite a few loads were in town Wednesday and from now on it will be no uncommon sight to see a string of cotton wagons waiting their turn at the gins.

The Sikeston Gin Company ginned the first loads and for the next several months will run 24 hours per day 7 days in the week. The same can be said of the gin at the Frisco which is nearing completion.

A telegram received Wednesday morning from the Southeast Missouri Co-operative Cotton Marketing Association with headquarters at New Madrid, stated they would advance \$70 per bale on all cotton belonging to members of the Association. This Association is organized to market cotton in an orderly manner and every cotton raiser should be a member.

MOREHOUSE NEWS.

Miss Margaret Wilkins has been added to the Morehouse teaching staff to take care of the increased enrollment.

Quite a number of Morehouse people have been taking advantage of Sikeston's moving picture shows recently.

Mrs. Nell Wafford is visiting relatives in Kentucky.

Harry Fox and P. Kiminer are building new garages.

The high school took the last period Monday to view the eclipse of the sun.

Hazel Carr is preparing to leave for Marvins College where she hopes to educate herself for mission work.

The entire school was dismissed on Wednesday to attend the Southeast Missouri District Fair.

Prof. B. I. Howard brought his football players from Vanduser Tuesday evening and schrimmaged with the Morehouse High eleven. Mr. Howard's aggregation is green but has the size and weight. He hopes to surprise Morehouse in the opening game, September 28.

The vocational agriculture class had classes judging the fine Aberdeen Angus cattle at the Fair on Tuesday.

Fay Utley, who has had charge of several logging jobs, returned to Chaffee this week to enter school.

Loggging has been making rapid strides during the good weather. The tram road of the Himmelberger-Harrison mill has been pushed several miles back into the timber northwest of town. Plans are made to extend the tram road north to a point just south of the Tanner Road about three miles west of the Scott County line, during the coming season.

J. W. Sarff reports that war wages are being paid timber workers and log haulers and that the price of timber is high.

Plans are about complete for an Auction Bridge Club of three tables.

The Morehouse School system is reaching out. There are three students from Grays Ridge, one from Salcedo, two from Canalou and one from Wahite.

The Triangle Club is making preparations for an active social season this fall.

Mrs. C. S. Hale reports that she does not like St. Louis near so well as Morehouse because her neighbors are not near so neighborly.

A new demerit system has been introduced in the High School. Ten demerits in any one month will cause suspension for the remainder of the month. Three demerits will cut off athletic and gymnasium privileges.

Miss Vera Walpole expects to leave Friday night for Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Margaret Anthony entertained Tuesday evening with a bridge party complimentary to Miss Vera Walpole.

Joe Britte, who has been in Laramie, Wyo., arrived Monday night for a visit with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. P. Britte.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein had as dinner guests Sunday Mesdames Mollie Long, Mollie Marshall, Betty Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. James Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Mayfield, Misses Mayne Marshall and Camille Klein.

ONLY ONE MORE DAY

AT 9:00 A. M., SATURDAY, the doors of our new **ECONOMY** will swing open and business will begin.

You have seen the big colored circulars which we broadcasted describing some of our special merchandise. If there ever was any doubt about your attendance—these bargains should make you determined to come.

There are other reasons why you should come. To see this new metropolitan store, modern in every respect, and the host of new goods will be a real treat.

When you see the large variety of merchandise that we have assembled, you will have ample proof of our desire to be of real service to you. You, therefore, cannot afford to miss this big event.

Consider this, please, your invitation to come—even if you don't intend to buy.

HARDWICK'S ECONOMY CENTER Sikeston, Missouri.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Everybody is getting ready for the Fair this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz shopped in Cairo Saturday.

Mrs. Thos. Mulkey visited in Cape Girardeau last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holderly visited in Matthews Monday.

Miss Marie Deane is teaching the Wilbur school this term.

Mr. and Mrs. Latimer visited relatives at Conran and Marston Sunday.

Mesdames Grover Heath and Clarence Hunott shopped in Sikeston Saturday.

Royal Alsop and sister Mrs. Florence Woodard were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Mr. Howard Steele, president of the Matthews Bank, made a business trip to Memphis last week.

Mrs. Bes. Fulkerson, Mrs. Clarence Sutton and Miss Addie James spent the week end with home folks.

The cotton yield around this vicinity promises to be a large one, although some of the cotton is rather late.

Our County Superintendent, P. J. Stearns, met with the school board and teachers here last Friday afternoon.

The only way to have good schools is for the parents, patrons and pupils to cooperate with the teachers, and let everyone try to do that this year.

A meeting of the school directors and all teachers in this consolidated district took place at the school house Friday afternoon to devise plans and

means for a more successful school year than we have ever had. It was decided to have a community fair here on Oct. 10th to which a cordial invitation is extended to every one to attend.

Cletus Hall of California is visiting friends and relatives here and at Canalou. Cletus is one of our boys and we are proud to see what a fine young man he has grown into.

Mrs. Nannie Mainord returned Sunday from a visit with her son, O. K. Mainord and family. Mr. and Mrs. Mainord accompanied their mother home and spent the day visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane, Miss Alice Deane, Mrs. S. A. Fox, Mrs. Amanda Long and Miss Sally Long spent Saturday in New Madrid, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lumert.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hulen of St. Louis are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young and children spent the week end in Poplar Bluff visiting relatives.

The Ford roadster which was given away Wednesday by the Fair Association went to Jerry Caverno of Canalou.

Every boy and girl who is a member of the pure-bred sheep club of Big Horn, Wyo., sleeps under a blanket made of wool from his own sheep, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture.

The Standard extends sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Denman of Farmington in the loss of their son, Harry King Denman, who died Monday of typhoid fever. His uncle, Clint H. Denman, left Wednesday to attend the funeral.

LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM NEW MADRID

Judge and Mrs. James A. Finch were Sikeston visitors Monday.

Mrs. James M. Householder began teaching the Ristine School Monday September 10.

F. E. Story and J. R. King of Matthews were transacting business at the court house Monday.

Miss Vivian Hart left Monday for Fredericktown where she will attend Marvin College this year.

Misses Dixie and Sybil Massengill and Sue Shelby left Monday to attend Teachers College at the Cape.

W. H. Tanner of Sikeston attended the Sunflowers Co-operative Association in New Madrid Saturday.

Miss W. T. Royer and daughter, Miss Hilma, returned Sunday from a several days visit to St. Louis.

Owing to the large attendance at the public school, Mrs. J. M. Massengill has been employed to teach the second grade.

Miss Evelyn Hunter, and her guest, Miss Agnes O'Meara of Cincinnati, Ohio, left Monday night for St. Louis to attend Visitation Convent.

Joe Shaw of Oakdale, La., who is enroute to Cape Girardeau to attend the State Teachers College, stopped over in New Madrid a few days to visit his brother, Superintendent A. M. Shaw, Jr.

O. O. Hamilton and daughter, Miss Dorris, of Tevaris, Fla., arrived in New Madrid Sunday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Mary C. Hamilton. Mrs. Hamilton stopped over at Little Rock for a visit with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Crossman and family.

HARDWICK'S NEW STORE TO OPEN SATURDAY

As announced elsewhere in this issue of The Standard, Hardwick's Economy Center, Sikeston's newest business enterprise, will open for business on Saturday, September 15.

Big preparations have been going on in transforming their store into a wonderland of bargains, which they announce is bound to shatter all standing records for volume of business because of the money-saving opportunities.

Large colored circulars are being sent out broadcast for miles around inviting the people to meet their neighbors at the opening sale which is announced to run eight days.

Mr. Hardwick said yesterday that he had made purchases of a large quantity of specially selected merchandise from choice lines of household, variety and personal wear requirements that would make this opening one of the foremost merchandise achievements in the history of Sikeston.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI BUREAU BOARD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau was held at Bloomfield last week. It was the best meeting, from the standpoint of attendance, that has been held for considerably over a year. Only five members of the sixteen were absent, and every county was represented. At the noon hour lunch was served by the ladies of the Baptist Church, which was followed by talks by several of the visitors.

Final plans were made for the big Southeast Missouri exhibit at the Tri-State Fair, which is to be held at Memphis, Tenn., September 22-29. It was decided by the Board to designate Wednesday, September 26, as Southeast Missouri Day at the Tri-State Fair and all Board members present pledged their presence at the Southeast Missouri Exhibit on that day. All Southeast Missourians are urged by the Bureau to visit this big Southern Fair and make headquarters at the Southeast Missouri booth. Here they will meet hundreds of Southerners every day who will listen with interest to the story of cotton growing in Southeast Missouri. Judging from the interest shown last year when the Bureau put on a special cotton exhibit at Memphis, it is believed that there will be plenty of interest in the general exhibit that will be displayed this year.

The citizens of Cape Girardeau are considering taking some of their splendid dairy cattle to the Memphis Fair. Should this be done a car load will be sent, about equally divided with Guernseys, Holsteins and Jerseys.

The resignation of H. O. Harrawood who has been doing special field and membership work for the Bureau during the summer, was accepted by the Board. Harrawood has gone back to school work, having accepted the principalship of a consolidated rural high school in Butler County. He did some very effective membership work during the three months he worked for the Bureau. He signed up nearly 100 new members, all for five year memberships.

The Board authorized the Secretary to prepare a letter to the Cotton States Merchants Association from the Board of Directors of the Bureau, thanking the organization for recognizing and honoring Southeast Missouri in electing as head of their organization a Southeast Missourian. Mr. Hiney was present at the Board of Directors meeting and gave a brief address relating to the work of the organization of which he is now the head. He was elected president at the annual meeting of the organization, which was held at Memphis only a few weeks ago.

The Board members present at the Bloomfield meeting were: Dwight H. Brown, C. L. Harrison, L. J. Dunn, Thad Snow, X. Caverno, C. O. Raine, E. C. Matthews, W. H. Heisserer, J. A. Montgomery, Norman D. Blue, and Fred Naeter.

Nearly 4,000,000 hogs were slaughtered during July of this year in establishments operating under Federal meat inspection, breaking all previous records for hog slaughter during that month. The exact number that were slaughtered and inspected, according to the records of the Bureau of Animal Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, was 3,983,435. This number breaks the best previous July record, which occurred last year, by 879,113 hogs.

A female alligator will lay as many as 100 eggs at one time.

SPARKS CIRCUS REDUCES PRICES FOR CHILDREN

When the Sparks Circus exhibits in Sikeston next Friday, Sept. 21, a feature that should especially appeal to youngsters from far and near will be found in operation. Manager Charles Sparks announces a most welcome reduction in the price of children's tickets, and at both performances here all youngsters under 12 will be admitted for 30 cents, including war tax instead of the 50 cent price which has prevailed in late years.

Mr. Sparks writes: "Owing to our tremendous expenses, due to the high cost of practically everything used by our circus at present, it is utterly impossible to reduce the price of the adult tickets, for which we charge the standard rate of 75 cents. Realizing that the circus is primarily a children's entertainment and that circus day is one of the most important events in a child's life we gave the little ones first consideration when business conditions warranted a price reduction. I have always felt that the price of 50 cents for children's tickets charged by all the important circuses during the past few years has been a hardship to many a poor kiddie. While we are not philanthropists we do not expect to increase our revenue by the change. But we do anticipate greater numbers of children, and crowds of children to my mind are as important to the permanent success of a circus as the performance itself."

Greatly enlarged and even more lavishly equipped than in former years the Sparks Circus is preceded by most complimentary newspaper reviews from cities in which it has recently exhibited. Seats can be secured circus day at the Bijou same price as at the show grounds. The Sparks Circus will exhibit at the Fair Grounds.

SALVATION ARMY APPEAL TAG DAY, OCTOBER 13

The annual appeal for the Salvation Army will be the week of October 8. Let each one contribute their part so Sikeston can say, "We Went Over The Top." We hope that you will give the people who call on you soliciting donations a cordial reception as they are giving up their time, valuable time, toward this worthy appeal.

The Salvation Army headquarters at St. Louis have taken in and cared for four unfortunate girls from this city and the good people of Sikeston should uphold the good work being done by the Salvation Army by giving them the financial help desired.

The Sikeston committee is composed of C. C. White, C. L. Blanton, C. H. Denman, John Young, H. J. Welsh, L. C. Erdmann, Ed Fuchs, C. F. McMullin, Rev. Thos. Mather, Frank Dye, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, and Miss Bernice Tanner.

DR. MAYO GIVES RECIPE FOR PROLONGING LIFE FIVE YEARS

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 11.—The Average life of the human being has been prolonged from 12 to 15 years as a result of recent advances in medicine and surgery. Dr. Charles H. Mayo, of Rochester, Minn., declared last night before the Manitoba branch, American College of Surgeons. Dr. Mayo expressed the opinion that the progress already made would be surpassed in the years to come.

Dr. Mayo emphasized the need of education as the prime requisite in the battle against disease.

"The life of an individual," he said, "could be prolonged by five years if the medical practitioner were consulted every two years after a person passed his fortieth year."

Prominent Democrat Dies.

Marshall, Mo., Sept. 11.—Thomas S. Fisher, secretary of the Missouri State Democratic Committee, died at his home today. The funeral will be Thursday morning.

Fisher, who was campaign manager for Breckinridge Long when the latter ran for nomination for the United States Senatorship, recently announced his candidacy for Secretary of State. He operated a drug store here.

Fisher was operated upon recently in St. Louis and had just returned to his home where he suffered an attack of peritonitis.

Miss Mabel Clippard arrived Monday from Atlanta, Ga., for a visit with her sister, Miss Eula Clippard, enroute to her home at Oak Ridge.

Misses Lillie Velma Reed, Mary and Lena Snyder and Mary Louise Sweeney of Mounds City, Ill., arrived Wednesday for a visit with Miss Jewell Scott.

CASH FOR YOUR COTTON

We will open a special Cotton Department, under the supervision of well-known cotton experts, about

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1st

In the meantime, our regular organization will buy or bid on your cotton in the seed. See us before selling. It will pay you, as we allow best possible prices. Ask Mr. J. T. Baty, at the Main Office, for further particulars.

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A PRIMARY CONVENTION

That the primary has proved a clumsy, unsatisfactory method for nominating candidates for State offices cannot be denied. Many sincere citizens, however, pin their faith to the primary in preference to the old boss-controlled delegate convention system for the sole reason that it is less objectionable than the latter. It is a case of choosing the lesser of two evils. Yet it ought to be possible to devise a plan which would curb the bosses and at the same time obviate the grave disadvantages and injustice inherent in the primary on a statewide scale.

The objections to the state-wide primary are the expense it imposes upon aspirants for State office and the impossibility of the voters knowing the men who appeal for their support. In the smaller political units, such as cities and counties, the primary method of selecting candidates is practicable. The voters there know or can know, well enough the men who offer themselves as candidates to make intelligent choice. And in those smaller units the expense of a primary campaign is not a forbidding burden. That condition does not obtain in a State primary. There are exceptions, of course, when because of an outstanding issue or a dominant personality among the candidates an informed selection may be made. Ordinarily few voters who take part in the State primary know little or nothing about the candidates for many of the State offices, and their ballot is a guess, not a reasoned judgment.

Now, suppose the present local primary election were retained, and at such elections delegates were chosen for a State convention to nominate candidates for State offices. Such delegates, chosen locally, would be known. Their selection would be validated by the best of credentials, namely, the confidence and approval of their townsmen and neighbors. Such men could be trusted to carry out the popular will. They would not be hirelings of the bosses. They would be the representatives of their own communities.

The proposed selection of such men being made in a primary election, would be protected by all the safeguards of the law which surround the nominations of local candidates. A convention made up of delegates so named would be a legally certified convention—something very different from the old-time conventions whose delegates were named in local primaries called and controlled by party committees, with the bosses in the background directing the proceedings.

The compromise suggested would put the State convention wholly in the hands of the people. If the voters were diligent enough to go to the primaries and select trustworthy convention delegates it would exclude the bosses from exercising any sinister influence on the convention. It would revive the representative form of government in such large units as the State. It would reopen the doors to the State offices to men of State-stature but of ordinary financial means.—Post-Dispatch.

OIL AMONG THE ANCIENTS

The oil industry had its birth in the United States about 1858, when crude oil was analyzed and a well was drilled at Titusville, Pa. But our Indians and the races before them, knew crude oil. Thousands of years before Christ, Babylonians and Chaldean masons used it in semiliquid form for cementing the bricks of their towering walls, and it was used in building the pyramids.

Herodotus mentions a well from which three substances, asphalt, salt and oil were pumped. Oil from natural springs in the temple of Jupiter at Rome, and the wealthy illuminated their homes with it. The ancient Chinese and the Persians used it for light and heat, and it enters into the preservatives of the Egyptian embalmers.

More than one-third of the American dollar is spent for food.

Buddhism is the faith of at least a quarter of the human race.

Use of asphalt has increased greatly during the last three years.

THE ISSUES OF 1924

The change in the office of Chief Executive does not change the fact that the Presidential campaign of 1924 will be fought out on questions of party policy.

One of the first announcements of President Coolidge was that he would carry out the policies of President Harding, and he gave the best evidence possible that he intends to do so by retaining the full membership of President Harding's Cabinet. President Coolidge, therefore, should have full credit for complete sincerity in making this promise. The issues of 1924 in view of this promise, remain unchanged, however they may be supplemented by issues raised by the new President.

"What will be the issues of 1924?" is a question often asked. The most specific and comprehensive answer so far has been made by Cordell Hull, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee. Chairman Hull says: "All the live and material issues of 1924 cannot now be forecasted, either in general or in detail, both on account of changing conditions and of the ability of the party in power to make and unmake some issues by acts of omission and commission. All pressing and vital issues materially affecting the welfare of the people, or of most of them, should be kept abreast of each other. The next Democratic National Convention alone can define the issues for the Democrats. From present-day opinion and discussions, however, the following may be pointed to as some of the most important issues of the present and the immediate future, without reference to the order of their importance:

"The demonstrated failure of the Republican administration dominated by the Old Guard at all times, which has been aimless, instable, and unable either to understand or to solve most of the acute domestic and international problems.

"The broken Republican platform pledge to reduce the high cost of living and to prosecute the profiteers.

"The Fordney-McCumber tariff law already costing the people four billion dollars a year in excessive and extortionate prices.

"Special privileges in its many other aggravated forms, as prompted and championed by the Republican administration.

"The practical application of the

principle of international cooperation embracing the essentials and fundamentals of the foreign policies of the recent Democratic administration, to existing conditions, contrasted with the humiliating failure of the Republican administration to deal decisively with any important phase of foreign affairs.

"A constructive patriotic merchant marine policy against the proposed \$750,000,000 ship subsidy.

"A sound and humane industrial policy to solve industrial problems, to insure full and equal justice to labor and capital, and to sustain their peaceful relations,—in contrast with hopeless Republican failure during the past two years.

"Relief in transportation and transportation costs.

"A more progressive and constructive remedy for the desperate conditions of agriculture, especially as it relates to transportation and distribution and foreign markets.

"Speedy and equitable tax reductions—Federal, State and local—accompanied by rigid economy.

"State rights and local self-government in matters purely local in their nature.

Honesty and efficiency in the public service, contrasted with corruption and almost anarchy in a number of Government departments.

"Republican betrayal of the Civil Service.

"A much higher standard of public and political morals in contrast with Newberryism and Daughertyism. "Application of the great body of intelligent, sound, liberal, and progressive sentiment to the prompt solution of conditions and problems affecting the commercial, economic, industrial and social welfare of the people.

"The adoption of sound, economic and trade policies, domestic and foreign, in contrast with existing wholly unsound policies, or none at all, of the Republican administration."

The thing that makes a fellow swell up like a puffed-up pup is to have your linotype operator leave town with all his belongings without giving any notice whatever and leave you in a devil of a hole. That is just what a fellow did to The Standard Tuesday morning. It was contemptible.

Miss Eleanor McRae of Rolla, Mo., arrived Monday for a visit with Skeston friends.

THE WAR HABIT

Once again the war clouds loom in Southeastern Europe. This time it is Italy and Greece, both now standing with drawn swords on the brink of war. Mussolini, leader of the Italian fascists, dominant figure in Italy for the past two years, sends a demand to Greece, calling upon her to apologize for real or fancied wrongs. Upon whether or not the powers that be at Athens will grant the desired answer to this ultimatum depends war or peace, it is stated. The habit of war is ingrained in man. Despite utmost suffering, despite a lesson which it was thought, during the long years of the great world war so recently past, would leave its impress upon the hearts of man for generations to come, he still calls upon the science of modern annihilation to settle his differences. Forgetting, in his blindness, that, when all is over, war settles nothing. When the cannon and the bomb are silent, when the marching hosts have been disbanded, the point at issue still remains, to be settled around the tables of the diplomats. It does seem that man's reasoning powers have reached a point where he should at least have enough intelligence to sidestep useless pain, horror and death, incurred for the sake of a cause which, at the best, is of infinitesimal importance by comparison with the devastation of war.

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THE FLAVOR LASTS

Here is where The Standard editor makes another ass of himself and somebody mad at him and his paper. Anyway, we don't give a tinker. On Tuesday a man by the name of Jones was brought up before his honor, Justice Lescher, for writing a note to a 14-year-old girl making a veiled indecent proposal to her. Jones runs the lunch stand near Pitman's tailor shop. It was proven by two other girls that they saw Jones write the note to the girl and it was shown that he had been more or less interested in the child of late. The note was a plain proposal to the girl to accompany this old devil out in the country where he would pay her two dollars. The case came before a jury of tried and true men who found him guilty and assessed his fine at \$51. The maximum fine is \$100 or 90 days in jail, or both a fine and jail sentence. When the virtue of a 14-year-old girl is only valued at \$5 it is time to rise up and say that this is a hell of a town to attempt to bring a girl up in. This sort

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Whereas, T. A. Ridenour and Leslie Ridenour by their certain Deed of Trust dated the 13th day of November, 1919, and recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, at Deed Book 32 page 31, conveyed to M. G. Gresham, as Trustee, all their right, title, interest and estate, in and to the following described Real Estate, situated in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, viz:

Lot One (1) in Block Four (4), in Fletcher's Addition to the City of Skeston, Scott County, Missouri.

And Whereas, in said deed of trust it was provided that in case said M. G. Gresham was unable to act as Trustee that the Sheriff of Scott County, Missouri, might act as his successor in trust;

And Whereas, said M. G. Gresham is disqualified from acting as Trustee because of interest; which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in said deed described, and whereas the said note has become due and unpaid, now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described Real Estate at the City Hall Door in the City of Skeston, in the County of Scott, State aforesaid, to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, on Saturday, the 29th day of September, 1923, between the hours of nine in the forenoon and five in the afternoon of that day to satisfy said note, together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

William Kirkindall,
Acting Trustee
Dated this 6th day of September, 1923

of leniency is what calls for drastic action from father's of girls who value their virtue above \$5 and notify the scoundrels who attempt to seduce them that they must leave the community or be dealt with after the sun goes down.

The editor acknowledges the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Cape

Fair to be held next week. The ticket was sent by President Bergman. We especially appreciate the thoughtfulness of Mr. Bergman for the words "and lady" instead of "wife." These little things sometimes avoids much embarrassment!

Each stem of the wild poppy has from 10,000 to 60,000 seeds.

MALONE THEATRE

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17th

Nights 7:30 O'clock

COOLEST PLACE IN TOWN

The Latest, Greatest and Best in Pictures Today

Management of Malone Theater takes great pleasure in presenting Sixth Annual Paramount Week

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Conrad Nagel, Hope Hampton, Lew Cody and Nita Naldi in

"Lawful Larceny"

Is Husband-Stealing Lawful Larceny!
Also, Comedy, Torchy "BATTLING" and NEWS
Admission 20c and 40c

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Jacqueline Logan and Maurine Flynn in

"Salomy Jane"

By Bret Harte.
Also, NEWS
Admission, 10c and 30c

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Zane Grey's Latest and Greatest Story in Picture

"To The Last Man"

The first great out-door picture Paramount presents, with Richard Dix and Lois Wilson (the Covered Wagon girl)
Friday COMEDY "WISE CRACKER" and Saturday RUTH ROLAND in "HAUNTED VALLEY" No. 2
Admission both days 10c and 30c
MATINEE 3:00 P. M. SATURDAY

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THOMAS MEIGHAN




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BETTY COMPSON



NITA NALDI




WALTER HIERS




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JACQUELINE LOGAN



DOROTHY DALTON



ALICE BRADY



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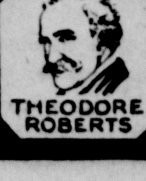
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6th Annual Paramount WEEK

All these Paramount artists invite you to participate.

With Paramount Week the greatest motion picture season the world ever saw gets well under way.

You have the opportunity for a grand review of 1923's achievements and a pre-view of the great Paramount Pictures coming.

Celebrate Paramount Week at your own theatre as millions have during five previous annual Paramount Weeks.

"It's Paramount Week at your theatre now!"



Sikeston joins in the national demonstration of the better motion pictures

All this week—Paramount Pictures will be shown

SEPT. 17-18

Conrad Nagel, Hope Hampton, Lew Cody and Nita Naldi in

"LAWFUL LARCENY"

MADGE KENNEDY

—in—
"THE PURPLE HIGHWAY"
Betty Compson in
"The Woman With Four Faces"

Agnes Ayres and Jack Holt
—in—
"THE MARRIAGE MAKER"
"The Silent Partner"
with Leatrice Joy

"RUGGLES OF RED GAP"
with an all star cast
GLORIA SWANSON
—in—
"Z A Z A"

Thomas Meighan
—in—
"WOMAN PROOF"
They are all Paramount Pictures

SEPT. 19-20

"SALOMY JANE"
with Jacqueline Logan

COMING

SEPT. 21-22

Zane Grey's

"TO THE LAST MAN"
with Lois Wilson and Richard Dix

If it's a Paramount Picture it's the best show in town

When you think of Chicago

One can hardly think of Chicago without thinking of Wabash—the road that has furnished the standard of Chicago service for many years.



WABASH

Ask your Ticket Agent for travel information

H. E. WATTS, Passenger Traffic Manager, St. Louis

WHO'S WHO IN "LAWFUL LARCENY"

Brief sketches of motion picture players always are read with avidity by screen fans. Here are notes on the featured players in the cast of "Lawful Larceny." If you have a theatre program; if not, send them to your home town editor for a filing. They will be glad to receive them.

Hope Hampton—Born in Houston, Texas. Her first screen appearance was in "Woman." Later after winning first honors in a beauty contest in New Orleans, she starred in "A Modern Salome," followed by "The Bait," "Stardust" and "The Light in the Dark."

Nita Naldi—One of the really imposing figures of the screen. Miss Naldi scored a great success in "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" and "Experience." Her acting ability was displayed to excellent advantage in the Paramount picture, "Blood and Sand." She also appeared in "The Glances of the Moon" and "You Can't Fool Your Wife."

Lew Cody—Born in Waterville, Maine, and educated at McGill University, Montreal, Canada. Mr. Cody made his screen debut in "A Beloved Cheater." His work in "Lawful Larceny" marks his return to Paramount.

Conrad Nagel—Born in Keokuk, Ia. Mr. Nagel played for some years in stock. In New York he appeared in "Experience," "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath," "The Man Who Came Back" and "Forever After." Among his more notable Paramount pictures were "Fool's Paradise," "Nice People," "The Impossible Mrs. Bellew," "Grumpy" and "Bella Donna."

Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 17 and 18.

INVENTIVE MINDS

An eight-wheeled motor truck in a California city can carry freight at a speed of 35 miles an hour.

A Frenchman has invented a light automobile than can be made to jump over obstacles three feet high.

Inserting a lead pencil completes a circuit and starts in operation a new electric pencil-sharpener.

Bricks of ice cream from one to three flavors are made by a machine at a rate of 20 gallons a minute without the product being touched by the hands of workers.

The ends of a new ice cream cone-holder, invented by a New Jersey man can be used either as legs or handles for supporting or carrying it.

A new keyless lock for automobile steering columns automatically operates when a car stops.

A new dishwashing brush has fibre cords on one side of its head and stiff bristles on the other.

The knives of a new vegetable shredder can be removed for sharpening.

Judge Clark Russell, Attorney Haw and F. D. Lair of Charleston were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

Richard Barnett, who spent the summer in Denver returned Tuesday morning in time to sell tickets at the Big Fair.

CO-OPERATIVE SUN FLOWER MARKETING

By Harry C. Hensley.

(This is the first of a series of four articles discussing the problems connected with the marketing of sunflowers. The second article will appear in our next issue—The Editor.)

The Sunflower Growers Association has been discussed and criticised by members and non-members alike. Some have condemned it; others have defended it. Some believe it lost them money; others know it has made them money. The production of sunflower seed is of economic and general interest not only to farmers but to the business interests of Southeast Missouri as well. What are the possibilities of the crop? Is the Association right in principle? Is it entitled to the patronage of the producer and should it have the support of the business interests?

Association Stands on Its Record. The association has finished its third year of operation and is entering the fourth. It should be able to stand on its record and justify its existence. It was organized in the late summer of 1920. The production the previous year had been small. The price had been high. Scores of farmers on the Sikeston ridge who had never before grown the crop, planted large acreages. Experienced growers became alarmed. Could the big crop be marketed? They remembered the experiences of 1915. That year the market went to pieces. Tens of thousands of pounds were carried over because of the exceedingly low price. Hence the reason for organizing the association. The original plan called for pooling the seed by grades and issuing warehouse receipts to growers who were to use these, if necessary, to obtain loans at the banks.

Long Time Contract Necessary. The crop contract provided for the orderly marketing of the crop. It was a one year contract with provisions for automatic renewal. Subsequent developments indicated that it was not legally drawn. The one year provision did not provide enough time to give the association a chance to make good. Then the crash in commodity prices came without warning. It not only swept the sunflower association off its feet but the producers of cotton, wheat, and corn as well. The members could not finance themselves. The association undertook this job to save itself. It convinced the secretary of agriculture by wire, that sunflower seed ought to be classed as grain; established grades and standards; bonded three warehouses under the U. S. Warehouse Act; borrowed \$30,000.00 and advanced this money to growers at a time when they were unable to borrow the money themselves. The directors recognized that either one of two things must happen. The association would sell its seed and the outsiders would sell and the association would have to hold. So the manager was given power of attorney to sell and was sent to St. Louis, Kansas City and Chicago, near the last of September with samples of the first seed delivered to the warehouses. He returned, having sold only half a car load. Buyers were scared. Prices were falling. The die was cast. The market became demoralized. For a period the association could not have sold all of the seed in its possession and paid its just debts. A similar condition prevailed with holders of cotton and other crops.

Association Secured Tariff. The association obtained a storage-in-transit privilege; secured a freight rate reduction of 50 per cent; disposed of 100 tons of seed to the oil mills and used that as a club to bring the buyers back into the market in the summer of 1921. In the meantime the association went after a tariff to shut out foreign seed which was being dumped on our markets. This took time to accomplish. Finally late in August, 1921, the last car of seed was sold and final settlement made with members. The members were disappointed. So were the directors. By action of the directors the members were given their choice of pooling the 1921 crop or selling. They sold. A small pool was conducted. Those who pooled made money. In 1922 the association handled two-thirds as much as in 1920. The association advised all growers to pool, but bought if they did not want to pool. Again those who pooled made money. Some members bought seed and pooled it with the association. The tariff bill was passed late in September. It carried 2 cents a pound on sunflowers—the amount asked by the association. Prices rose rapidly and growers received at least \$100,000.00 more for their seed because of the tariff. They could have received double this amount by pooling.

Operating Cost Has Decreased. The total cost of operating the association in 1920 was approximately 40 cents per cwt. Last year the cost was 25 cents per cwt. The sales in 1920 amounted to \$70,000.00. Last year the sales were \$80,000.00. So it appears that the association is becoming more efficient. It is believed that it sold the highest priced car of seed which moved out of the district last year. The price received f. o. b. New Madrid was 7 cents.

Had the association been organized in 1921 it would no doubt have been far more appreciated by its members. The fact that it was able to live through those trying years indicate that it must be founded and operated on sound business principles. Because it has been in the market at the leading points throughout the district and furnished competition it has served to stabilize prices. It will buy and sell seed this year and pay the market price. It will conduct a pool for those who care to handle their crop that way.

Absolutely Cooperative. Two hundred members own the stock and no member owns more than one share. The profits which it has made belongs to these members. It welcomes new members. Its books are open for the inspection of its

members and other interested parties. The directors recommend reorganization on the basis of the plan used by the Missouri Cotton Growers Association. Its case is in the hands of the growers. Its future lies before it. Is it worth while to organize the sunflower seed industry? Shall the grower sell his seed this year at threshing time, or shall he pool his seed and merchandise rather than dump it?

SPARKS CIRCUS TRAINER DOES NOT KNOW THE MEANING OF WORD FEAR

Around the "padroom" they call him "the man without fear." They do not give him special credit for what he does—they believe fear simply was left out of his make-up when he was born and nothing he can do excites them. But to those who know, there is a different story behind the actions of Steve Batty, Hungarian lion tamer of the Sparks Circus which is coming to Sikeston on Friday, Sept. 21. For Steve does have fear—but he never allows it to conquer him. Never does he appear in the great steel arena where his five ferocious charges with anything more to protect him than an ordinary kitchen chair and a cheap buggy whip. If a lion should take a desire to kill him there would be no chance for Batty. But Batty laughs at such a thought. "See those eyes?" he asks as two steel gray ones stare into yours. That's all I need to save me. I keep the buggy whip to tap a lion on the nose when I want him to do some certain thing. I keep the kitchen chair to make the lion feel at home and to block his leap if he should jump at me and when I've got that leap blocked I use these eyes and I've never found the animal yet that could keep up his anger when I really fastened my eyes on him. Maybe I hypnotize him, I don't know." Batty will demonstrate his methods of lion training when he comes here with the circus. But he is to form only a part of the big show. There are other wild animal acts and they range all the way from tigers and leopards to a group of genuine South American Llamas—the first of their kind to ever succumb to the art of the trainer. All of these and many more will be seen in the lengthy street parade at 10:30 o'clock on circus day. Seats can be secured circus day at Bijou Drug Store same price as at the show grounds. The Sparks Circus will exhibit on the Fair Grounds.

ODDS AGAINST GOV. SMITH QUOTED 20 TO 1 BY BROKERS

New York, Sept. 11.—Al Smith, 20 to 1; Hiram Johnson, 5 to 1; William Hayward, 5 to 1; Henry Ford, 3 to 1.

The above odds were quoted by the brokerage house of W. L. Darnell & Co., 44 Broad Street, last night in the presidential and gubernatorial sweepstakes.

There is \$1000 on deposit with the brokers to be laid against \$20,000 that Gov. Smith will be elected President; \$500 was bet against \$2500 yes-

FAIR WEATHER DURING FAIR TIME—

To entertain your relatives and visiting friends you must bear the feeling of a distinctive appearance.

Ladies, while in Sikeston, don't forget to visit our "Fashion Center," where you will see the newest styles and materials in Dresses, Coats, Suits and Millinery at prices that please.

It is our pleasure to show you.



terday that Senator Hiram Johnson will receive the Republican nomination for President; the same amount at the same odds was laid that Hayward will be the Republican nominee for Governor of New York.

An offer to bet \$1000 against \$3000 that Henry Ford will be elected if nominated on either Republican or Democratic ticket remained uncovered.

Mr. Land Owner:
I want to rent 160 to 250 acres improved cotton land. I have years of experience as a cotton farmer and ginner. Capacitated to handle large acreage, have cotton crop this year near Caruthersville that shows for itself. Very best of references. J. A. Johnson, Box 429, Caruthersville, Mo.

What Springfield, Ohio, Said of Sparks Circus:

The Sun, Friday, August 10th:
"Sparks Circus can come back to Springfield any time it desires and a hearty welcome will be awaiting it. It was the cleanest, snappiest, brightest and best circus ever in our city, and we have had them all. The animal acts were especially sensational."

The MASTERPIECE OF THE TENTED WORLD!

SPARKS CIRCUS

THIS SEASON AUGMENTED BY THE EARTH'S MOST WONDERFUL DISPLAY OF **TRAINED WILD BEASTS**

350 ARENIC ARTISTS
COMPREHENSIVE MENAGERIE OF THE FINEST ANIMAL SPECIMENS
40 FUNNY CLOWNS

Note: IN THE ONWARD MARCH OF PROGRESSION THE AUTOMOBILE IS SUPERSEDED THE HORSE AND A "HORSELESS AGE" IS FREELY PREDICTED THE OBITUARY OF THE HORSE WILL NEVER BE WRITTEN AS LONG AS THE SPARKS CIRCUS LIVES! THIS ORGANIZATION IS FAMOUS FOR ITS

HUNDREDS OF BEAUTIFUL HORSES SEE THESE SPLENDID ANIMALS IN THE SENSATIONAL FOX HUNT, EUROPEAN TRAINED-HORSE SHOW, MANEGE AND HIGH JUMPING EXHIBITIONS.

TWO PERFORMANCES DAILY AT 2 and 8 P.M. GORGEOUS FREE STREET PARADE AT 10:30 A.M. RAIN OR SHINE

Prices Children under 12 years of age 30c
Adults 75c, including war tax

Admission and Reserved Seats on Sale Circus Day at the Bijou Confectionery. Same Price as at Show Grounds.

SIKESTON
Fair Grounds Circus Lot
FRI. SEPT. 21

ANNOUNCEMENT

We wish to announce that we have removed our stock of Drugs, Druggist Sundries, Victrolas, etc., to the Derris Building on Front street, where we will be glad to have our friends and patrons call.

We feel especially grateful to the public for the liberal patronage accorded us in the past and hope by courteous treatment and square dealing to merit a continuance of the same.

Our new store is your store and we shall be delighted to continue to be a servant to the public.

W. E. DERRIS
The Druggist

NEW MADRID LOCALS

Dr. E. E. Jones of Lilbourn made a professional trip to New Madrid Friday.

Andy Wilson of Island No. 8 transacted business in New Madrid Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Slack of Sikeston spent Saturday afternoon in New Madrid.

Mrs. J. M. Miles returned home Friday from a visit to her parents at New Hampton, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Howard and Mrs. Walter L. Meier were shopping in Cairo Friday.

F. D. Morgan and Leon Swartz of Matthews were business visitors in New Madrid Friday.

Mrs. S. Manheimer left Saturday night on a business trip to St. Louis and to visit relatives.

T. M. Finley of near Caledonia and C. E. Finley of Oran spent Thursday in New Madrid on business.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Henry of Sikeston were the guests of relatives and friends in New Madrid Sunday.

Mrs. T. A. Penman and her guest Mrs. Mary Penny of Philo, Ill., visited friends at the county seat Thursday.

Thos. M. Finley of Caledonia, Mo., and C. E. Finley of Oran were business visitors in New Madrid Thursday.

Julien N. Friant and Clarence Hutson of Cape Girardeau were looking after business matters in New Madrid last week.

George Boon and James Bloomfield left Saturday for Chicago, where they expect to attend school at the DePaul University.

Senator Tillman Anderson and brother Wade of Commerce spent Thursday in New Madrid attending Mrs. A. B. Hunter's hog sale.

Mrs. Warner Phillips and two little daughters of Cottonwood Point, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee C. Phillips this past week.

Atty. Geo. H. Traylor, who has been in Jefferson City this summer, as a member of the Constitutional Convention arrived home Sunday.

Attorney Valentine Perkins has purchased the home of Mrs. H. E. Broughton Jr. on Mill street and moved over from Lilbourn last week.

Miss Louise Broughton of Cairo spent several days this past week visiting her parents near Marston and relatives and friends in New Madrid.

Robert M. Penman of Philo, Ill., is visiting his son, T. A. Penman, near Portageville, and accompanied the accompanied the Judge to the county capital Friday.

Mrs. A. L. Searles and little son, Jack of Caruthersville were guests this past week at the home of her aunts, Misses Letitia and Hattie Lewis of this city, returning to her home Saturday.

Mrs. Lee C. Phillips and daughter Miss Mildred returned home last week from an extensive motor trip to California, on a visit to the former's son Louis and family. Miss Dixie Shy and her brother Arthur Shy accompanied them.

LIMBAUGH-ARTERBURN.

Married on September 12, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Arterburn on Ruth St., at 3:30 p. m., Dr. Chester W. Limbaugh and Miss Ruth E. Arterburn, Rev. S. P. Brite officiating. The house was beautifully decorated with smilax and roses. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Dudley.

The groom and bride were accompanied by Mr. Richard Barnett and Miss Elizabeth Welch.

Only a few special friends of the young couple witnessed the joyful occasion. After the wedding light refreshments were served. The happy young couple have the best wishes of numerous friends for a long and happy married life.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

9:30 Sunday School. Classes for all ages and grades.

11:00 Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor.

6:30 The B. Y. P. U. meets for Bible study and social worship.

7:30 Evening worship. Song service and sermon. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

Mrs. Carter of Chicago is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Crain.

Dr. A. L. Stepp has just returned from Rochester, Minn., where he has been attending the Mayo's Clinics.

Constable Burks shot a man connected with the Carnival, Wednesday afternoon. The bullet hit him in the arm. The Standard doesn't care to comment on the case as some trouble is likely to arise to the constable.

THE FARMER'S NEW POSITION

By WALTER W. HEAD.

First Vice-President American Bankers Association

The farmer today is more than a tiller of the soil. He is a business man. Raising crops is only a part of his business, if he is a real up-to-date Twentieth Century farmer. Problems of marketing, distribution and financing are equally important.

The complexity of our modern economic organization makes it necessary for the farmer to understand and assist in solving these problems if he is to succeed. In this new role—as a business man—the farmer steadily has advanced to a better position.

There was a time when the farmer was dependent wholly upon private marketing agencies, whose interest was not always identical with his own, whose greed for profits sometimes out-matched consideration of the farmer's need. Today there are many great co-operative marketing organizations that handle a large part of the farmer's crop and win for him more liberal treatment from the private agencies which still handle the bulk of his production.

Today the farmer also has his own co-operative agencies of credit. If not satisfied with the terms upon which his local capitalist is willing to advance money upon a land mortgage, the farmer can go directly to the Federal Land Bank, which, by reason of tax-exemption and other advantages incidental to its governmental character, can loan money at a rock-bottom rate of interest.

In addition, the federal government has established another group of banks which permit the local bankers—by rediscount privileges—to extend the farmer credit for his current operations on a more favorable basis than ever before. If he thinks his local bank is not sufficiently responsive to his need, this same legislation enables him to join with other farmers in a co-operative marketing association and arrange for credit direct from the government banks.

New Credit Facilities

For years it has been the farmer's complaint—with considerable justification—that he, alone of all producers, has been forced to market his crop on the buyer's terms because of his inability to use his products, in storage, as a basis for credit. Today the agricultural credits act authorizes the acceptance of warehouse receipts, on non-perishable agricultural products, as collateral for loans, the same as in the case of sugar or other commodities of commerce.

These developments have relieved the farmer from what seemed to be persecution by short-sighted, tight-fisted, grasping grain dealers, landlords and bankers—for there were some bankers who were guilty of this very thing, who thought of the farmer principally as a weak and ignorant opponent in a game whose only stake was the collection of a high rate of interest. The farmer's suspicion of the banker arose because of misunderstanding, because he judged bankers as a class by the derelictions of a few. Today, with these sources of government-controlled credit available at his call, the farmer cannot charge or even suspect that the bankers are conspiring to do him harm.

As the real farmer has taken advantage of these opportunities, he has made himself a business man. Like other successful business men, he is equipped with credit to finance his operations, he is able to make use of labor-saving machinery, he is able to barter with buyers of his products as their equal.

COMPULSORY THRIFT

In Kansas a group of power and telephone companies is trying a compulsory thrift plan, which affects about 1,200 employees and applies to every member of the organization from the president to the humblest day laborer. The plan requires that each shall save and invest monthly at least 10 per cent of his income.

Every month each employee must make a report to the general office of how much he has saved, and in what he has invested it. The investment must be approved by a committee competent to advise. Government securities, savings bank accounts, building and loan stock, payment on a home, even payments on furniture are allowed. If debts have been incurred, these must be listed and payments may be arranged on them, but no more are to be assumed. The idea is to make the employee live within his means and also lay aside something in a definite form.

Reports for the first nine months show that about 13 per cent of the wages have been saved, no single employee falling below 10 per cent. This amounts to over \$100,000. Failure to report or to save brings dismissal, but in only two instances among the 1,200 employees was such action needed. Budget books are distributed and their use explained as a helpful method in establishing a working scale of living that will allow for thrift.

Miss Eleanor McRae of Rolla, Mo., arrived Monday for a visit with Sikeston friends.

FARM WANTED.—Want to buy farm of 40 or 50 acres near Sikeston. Interested parties inquire of Standard. FOR SALE—Stover Gasoline pump engine with magnets, \$45.00. Farmers Supply Co., Agricultural Department.

Improved methods of growing wheat to produce better grain and grow it more economically, advocated by agricultural extension workers, were adopted on over 90,000 farms in 1922, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture. One- and one-quarter million bushels of seed wheat were treated by farmers for smut in this connection.

SEED WHEAT

Fulbio certified by State University. Guaranteed perfect, free from faulty grains, cockle, screenings, white caps, objectionable materials. Few cents more per acre will greatly increase your average yield. Limited quantity. Write now for price, sample, record results other farmers. Theodore Hopper, Box 438, Sikeston, Missouri.

Tom Brown, a former Sikestonian who is with the Asiatic Fleet in Japanese waters, is one of the sailors now helping bury the dead and ministering to the living of Japan following the earthquake.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. White spent Monday in Cairo and Birds Point. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Langford of Poplar Bluff arrived Thursday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott and family.

Gingham handkerchiefs are quite the newest thing for women. Mrs. F. E. Jones and daughter, Miss Pearl, returned Sunday from a visit in Palo Alto and Cobden, Ill., and Jonesboro, Ark.

NOTICE TO COTTON GROWERS

Our new Gin, on the Frisco Railroad just north of Scott County Mill A. will be open for Custom Ginning

Monday, September 17th

This gin is one of the most modern plants in Southeast Missouri, the sole aim in building having been to provide the growers with facilities that would give them the best results with the least delays.

NOTE: We positively cannot handle damp cotton, as it injures the machinery and will greatly reduce the grade or value of your cotton in the handling. See that your cotton is DRY before offering it to us for ginning. Cotton must also be free from hulls and trash.

We Will Confine Our Operations to Custom Ginning Only

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Ever assembled in Southern Illinois, awaits you this week. A brilliant array of enchanting styles, nothing has been overlooked in making the new garments the most interesting of many years.



STYLISH STOUT DRESSES

\$29.75

\$37.50

Never before have we been able to offer such wonderful styles, and materials, such perfectly made and perfect fitting garments as this particular season. Come and look them over.

More New Children's DRESSES

More New Ladies' and Misses' HATS

More New Silk BLOUSES

OUR DRESS Department

ESPECIALLY, is brimming over with Beautiful Models, that New York's foremost makers only can produce. More Dresses to choose from, than three other stores combined can show you. Undoubtedly, if we could show you this wonderful collection, you would be just as enthusiastic as we are.

Please come and see them. Courteous Sales Ladies will be glad to show you. You will not be urged to buy.

SALE OF SILK CANTON Crepe and Poiret Twill

DRESSES

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Dresses

\$17.50, \$20, \$22.50 values

SATURDAY ONLY

\$13.75

Brand new Dresses, just arrived. Some are embroidered, some are beaded, pretty styles. For one Day, Saturday. Specially priced \$13.75.

More New Silk KIMONAS

POIRET TWILL

Dresses

\$15.00, \$17.50 values

Prettily Embroidered

\$10.98

Every one a rare bargain, at the sales price of \$10.98. We advise early selection.

More New Crepe KIMONAS



AFTERNOON DRESSES

\$24.95

\$27.50

\$37.50

Largest line in Southern Illinois to choose from. Materials are Poiret Twill, Gaberdine, Twill Cord, Silk Canton Crepe, Satin face Canton Crepe, Charmeuse,orgette, Crepe de Chine. Only our wonderful purchasing power makes it possible to offer such beautiful models at such prices.

More New Novelty SKIRTS

More New Children's COATS

More New Ladies' and Misses' COATS

FRISCO LINES

Important Changes In Time of Trains

A change in schedule of certain Frisco trains will be made effective

Sunday, September 23, 1923

For detailed information inquire of Ticket Agent

J. N. CORNATZAR
Passenger Traffic Manager
St. Louis, Mo.

FAIR SALES

Salted Peanuts, 1-2 pound	10c
Peanut Butter Kisses, large bag	10c
Coat Hangers, 3 for	10c
Kirk's Flake White Laundry Soap 3 bars	10c
Good Assortment Glass Dishes, choice	10c
Better Assortment Glass Dishes, choice	25c
Dolores Double Mesh Hair Nets	10c
Kitchen Mitts	10c

We have a good assortment of Jewelry, Notions, Dishes, Candy, Etc.

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